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NEWS OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL!

A Searching Survey into the Conditions of the Public Schools of Washington, D. C.

REVOLUTION FOLLOWS PROPOSED INVESTIGATION

"Lack of Confidence" Given as the Cause of Unrest Complained of—Seeking a Remedy—Is There to be a Radical Change in Existing Administration?—Baughman-Childs Nuptials to be Celebrated About Christmas President Wilson to Attend Virginia's Emancipation Exposition Reactionaries on the Run.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

(Bureau of The Freeman, 1337 Wallach Place, N. W., Washington, D. C.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 11.—A new season of unrest is manifesting itself in the public schools of the capital. These periodical ebullitions have long been a part of the educational life of this community, but wiseacres, who keep their ears close to the ground, hint that the approaching storm is to be one of unusual severity and that there are elements in it that may precipitate a crisis, with a revolution as a possible finality.

Your correspondent is taking some pains to find out just what the trouble is—to locate the actual facts in the case. This is a difficult undertaking, as those familiar with local school conditions will readily testify. An inquirer, whether he buttonholes a high official in our educational system, or listens to the gossip of the sidewalk, will get about an equal amount of real information out of the volumes of talk that are poured into his receptive ear—much talk that says little worth while touching the inner seat of the disease that seems to be making insidious inroads upon the vitality of the Washington public schools. The stories vary as widely as the interests and feelings of the relators vary, and the incidents cited as evidences of the unsatisfactory conditions alleged to prevail in the schools under the present regime are as numerous as the fabled leaves of Vallambrosa and as diversely tinted.

Back of all that one hears in a day's travel about the city stands the one bald fact—a fact that will not down, in spite of the desire of the level-headed and fair-minded citizen to put the best side foremost—that there is dissatisfaction of the most deep-seated character with the manner in which our schools are administered. We refer, of course, to the colored department—the only one which affects us as a people and the only one that touches the marrow bones of the 100,000 Negroes within the confines of the District of Columbia. The atmosphere of discontent is so thick that it can be cut with a knife. Complaint is voiced, loud and vehement, among the teachers in the class-rooms, among the students at their lessons and among the parents in the homes.

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Why this "Winter of Our Discontent?"

"The cause of it all—why?" This is the question that will be universally asked. In the babble of tongues that will follow this leading query, the answer is scarcely distinguishable. From the composite response there is gleaned a long list of grievances—grievances that run the gamut of disappointments, when appointments might have been reasonably expected; of unfulfilled promises on the part of the authorities; of favoritism, both in the selections for positions as teachers and in the marking of examination papers or class room ratings; individual jealousies and heart-burnings among the administrators; the coddling of the powers that make and unmake Boards of Education by forces that seek only selfish ends, and secure them through ulterior channels; the failure of the heads to free themselves from the suspicion of being unduly influenced in their policies by elements outside of the legitimate arena of education; and, last but not least, the general feeling that unless one is "in on the ground floor," a square deal along any line of advantage cannot be had.

These, in short, represent the gist of the causes that make for discontent with the way things are said to be going in our public school system. The whole thing is sized up by one of the patrons of the schools as "a universal lack of confidence in the system as now conducted."

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"Where Does the Blame Lie? What is the Remedy?"

If the conditions are as the complainants allege—and have been alleging for lo these many years—the natural questions arise: Where does the blame lie? What is the remedy? Is there favoritism in the appointment of teachers? Is it true that the sons and daughters of certain prominent families are given prefernce ratings and then railroaded into places, oftimes at the expense of others more justly entitled to them? Are vacancies held back by subterfuges until the favored ones are reached on the lists? Are individuals appointed to places out of their specialty and shifted by the "detail" route to places over the heads of the eligibles properly entitled to the appointment? Are transfers made to please certain ones and to punish others who think more of their work than of diplomacy? Is there a disposition to side with subordinates who boast of their insubordination to the authority of their immediate superiors? Is it a fact that there is difficulty in getting a dependable statement about any school matter from the lips or pen of the heads of the system? Are the members of the Board the masters of our educational system, or are they mere registering machines of the will of those under them? Are they chiefs or are they vassals in the school system? Are places passed out to reactionaries and unholy influences for the purpose of silencing criticism and mollifying agencies that might otherwise antagonize the administration? Are teachers afraid to tell the truth, or say their souls are their own, under penalty of demotion or dismissal?

These are the questions we hear everywhere. People employed in the schools ask them in whispers; the plain people ask them out loud. There is a great deal of "smoke" in the atmosphere. How much is due to a genuine "fire?" If there is anything in current rumors, a Congressional investigation may be instituted to determine just this point. Conferences have been held among various groups of citizens within the past few days to map out a line of action that is apt to produce the results desired. The main thing that is wanted at this time, they say, is the facts. The position is taken that the present situation of unrest and suspicion, of charges and countercharges, and apparent lack of confidence in the ability of the administration to adhere to the rigid line of duty and fairplay, is intolerable. They claim that its continuance is unjust alike to the schools, to the Assistant Superintendent and to the parents who have a vital interest in the welfare of their children. If an investigation will clarify the atmosphere, that is what they will demand. If the remedy lies in a change in the personnel of the school leadership, it is said they will demand that such change be made. If the right man or men are not in control, it is said to be the determination of the investigators to rake the country with a fine tooth comb until the right ones are found. They say they intend to insist upon a strong man—one who possesses executive ability, who has the courage of his convictions, who does not fear to take responsibility for policies that look to the good of the school system, who plays no favorites, who is free from all entangling alliances, and who will not hesitate to declare his absolute independence of the reactionaries who are making this threatened revolution necessary.

As your correspondent sees it, after a careful and non-partisan survey, this is the Washington school situation in a nutshell.

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Miss Childs to Wed an Indiana Magnate.

Washington society is all agog over the announcement this week of the engagement of Miss Rosa B. Childs, of our public schools, to Mr. Charles H. Baugman, for many years a responsible official in the postoffice department in Indianapolis, Ind. Mr. Baughman spent last week in the city, the guest of Dr. Clarence A. Wright, and by his manly bearing, genial personality, manifest culture, quiet dignity and handsome countenance made a fine impression upon all with whom he came into contact. In company with Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Childs and Miss Rosa and other friends at the capital, Mr. Baughman visited the schools and many points of interest, including a visit to the Berean Baptist church on Sunday morning, taking part in the special service arranged. The statuesque Hoosier is not a stranger here and during his brief sojourn received and made numerous calls and exchanged cordial greetings. When the purpose of his visit leaked out through the medium of the lynx-eyed confidantes of Cupid and became widely circulated by the omnipresent gossips, both Mr. Baughman and Miss Childs were the cynosure of all eyes and were congratulated most heartily by all who had an opportunity to reach them. And both are to be congratulated, in all sincerity. Upon every side the comment is that the "match" is an exceedingly fitting one and bears all the earmarks of a happy marital alliance. The approaching marriage is the sequel of a romance that had its beginning last summer, during Miss Childs' vacation visit to Indianapolis. Miss Childs is an acknowledged belle in a capital noted for its beauties, and is highly educated. For several years she has been a faithful teacher in the Washington schools and advanced by her own merits to the enviable post of model teacher at the Mott school, and has made a record not outranked by any member of our high-grade corps of instructors. She is modest and unassuming and enjoys a deserved popularity among all classes of our people. Society, while regretting to lose so fair a flower, rejoices in her promising future in the new and broader life that she is to enter.

Mr. Baughman is one of Indiana's magnates—a veritable prince of good fellows and he will make a loyal husband as he has been a friend and leader among his Hoosier brethren. Since early manhood he has been in the public service, acquitting himself with distinction in the office of the Marion county court house and United States postoffice. He has long been a factor in the social, educational and political life of Indianapolis, and by thrift, economy and wise investment, has become possesed of quite a comfortable portion of this world's goods. His bride will select her future home from a number of very desirable properties owned by the business-like groom.

It is understood that the wedding will take place about Christmastide at the home of the prospective bride, 1911 L street northwest. The ceremony is to be a quiet family affair, with a reception to follow. In all probability, Indianapolis' well-known surgeon, Dr. Joseph H. Ward, will accompany Mr. Baughman to this city to act as "best man."

The Baughman-Childs nuptials, though intended to be simple and unostentatious, will, by reason of the national prominence of the high contracting parties, turn out to be one of the most notable function of its kind ever known to Washington society.

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President Wilson to Attend Virginia's Great Exposition.

President Wilson will honor the great Negro exposition in Virginia with his presence next year, and assist the race in commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of its emancipation. A delegation, representing the Negro Historical and Industrial Association, headed by Col. Giles B. Jackson, of Richmond, Va., president of the association, Col. Judson W. Lyons, of Georgia, former Register of the Treasury, Mr. James H. Anderson, editor of the Amsterdam News, of New York City, and others, called at the White House one day last week and extended the formal invitation. The President accepted it cheerfully and gave encouraging observations touching the status of the Negro people as nation-builders and useful forces in civic development. The exposition is to be held early next year near Richmond, under the auspices of the Association above-mentioned and will display in comprehensive form every phase of progress made by the Negro people since emancipation. In aid of this laudable enterprise Congress has already appropriated $55,000 and much more is to be raised by the sale of stock to Negroes themselves.

In accepting the invitation extended by Col. Jackson and his delegation, President Wilson said that he wished the exposition every success. The President was told that the progress of the Negro in the past fifty years would be fittingly celebrated at Richmond, and that this progress was vividly shown in the fact that in the State of Virginia alone the Negroes pay taxes on $34,000,000 worth of property, church and school and similar properties not included, and gave other statistics that indicated the marvelous development of the race in substantial acquisition.

The campaign for the actual mobilization of the exposition will begin at once.

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"Florida Night" at Bethel Literary.

"Florida Night" was enthusiastically observed Tuesday evening at the regular meeting of the Bethel Literary and Historical Association. The affair was arranged in honor of Dr. Lemuel W. Livingston, United States Consul for nearly twenty years at Cape Haitien, Haiti, and Mr. T. Thomas Fortune, editor of the Washington Sun. Both are natives of Florida. Dr. Livingston spoke on "Haiti" and told, as far as diplomatic etiquette permitted, much of the inside history of the Black Republic and the temperamental peculiarities that lead to frequent revolutions. Mr. Fortune delivered an interesting address on "Some Things Our Men Have Accomplished in the Public Service."

At the close of the exercises at the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, a supper was tendered the two gentlemen and half a hundred congenial spirits at Gray's Cafe, 636 D street northwest. The affair was successfully promoted by the Florida Club of Washington, of which Dr. E. G. Evans is president, and Richard Milton secretary. Mr. R. L. Pendleton was the efficient chairman of the committee on arrangements.

Consul Livingston is here to report to the State Department concerning affairs in Haiti and to enjoy his annual leave of absence.

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Romeo L. Dougherty Takes Service on the Sun.

Mr. Romeo L. Dougherty, who has made a national reputation in New York City and elsewhere as a writer of sporting, athletic and dramatic news, has taken service on the Washington Sun. Last week the Sun carried one of the best pages of matter, featuring these subjects, that the nation's capital has ever seen in any paper of the race. The folks who star upon the stage and on the field of athletics activity have an immense following and the management of The Sun exhibited great wisdom in attaching so skillful and accomplished a writer and promoter as Mr. Dougherty to its staff. In addition to handling the news of the stage and sport, the erstwhile New Yorker will have charge of the advertising interests of the Sun generally and will make himself useful all over the paper, as he knows the business from A to Z. Mr. Dougherty is a good "mixer," and has already won a host of friends in this neck-o'-the-woods. Through his engineering, the Smart Set Athletic Club of this city made a number of trips to New York City to meet the basket ball teams there, and Mr. Dougherty is interested in the athletic work in connection with Howard University and the Y. M. C. A.

DANVILLE, ILL.

Rev. Snowden, of Paris, Ill., preached the baccalaureate sermon for the Teachers' Training Class of the Second Baptist church, Sunday school, Sunday, Oct. 5th. The graduates are as follows: Mesdames L. H. Kemp, Alice Noel, Lucy Bell and Allie Barrett and Messrs. L. Barrett and W. Johnson.

Mrs. Freeman and children, of Gary, Ind., spent several days in the city the guest of her father, who is an inmate of the Soldiers' Home.

Rev. S. S. Scission, of Cincinnati, O., attended the graduation exercises of the Teachers' Training Class of Second Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Noel left Wednesday for Indianapolis, where they will make their home.

Miss Beatrice Morton, of East Seminary street, met with a very painful accident last week, when she fell and sprained her wrist and hand.

Mrs. W. H. Anderson has been indisposed for a couple of weeks.

The ten months' old baby of Mrs. Fannie Rhodes, who was burned several weeks ago, is doing nicely.

Rev. Johnson, of Indianapolis, was a visitor in our city last week and preached for Rev. Waller of the Free Will Baptist church Wednesday night.

Mrs. David Dean, of Champaign, Ill., was a visitor in this city last week.

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MT. STERLING, KY.

Mrs. Fannie Judy, of Louisville, Ky., formerly of this city, died at the former last Thursday, and her body was brought home for burial.

Professor J. S. Estill, who for twenty years was principal of Mt. Sterling's colored schools, but now a dean at the K. N. I. I., was in this city Saturday on business.

A. Jackson, the noted amateur wrestler, is to meet Kid Colston, Wednesday night, Nov. 18th, at the Omion. Kid Colston agrees to throw A. Jackson two falls in sixty-five minutes or forfeit the match.

Miss Fannie King, one of Mt. Sterling's attractive young girls, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the San Jose hospital, and is in a critical condition. We hope that Miss King will recover.

Rev. J. S. Webb, pastor of the C. M. E. church of this city, left Tuesday afternoon for Los Angeles, Cal., where he was transferred.

TERRE HAUTE, IND.

The Rev. Harvey Brutino, pastor of the First Baptist church, Highland Place, is conducting a series of revival meetings, assisted by the Rev. Albert Owens of Eminence, Ky. They are meeting with much success since they commenced. .. The Rev. Brown, of the Freewill Baptist church preached an extended sermon to a large and appreciative audience. His text was the 34th Psalm. .. Mrs. W. H. Renfro was called suddenly Monday evening to Anchoridge, Ky., where his uncle was accidentally hurt by a street car. He is in a serious condition and it is suspected that it will affect his mind forever. .. The Rev. M. W. Sparks, pastor of Spruce St. A. M. E. church, preached an entertaining sermon Sunday evening at 7:30 to a large and intelligent audience. He discussed the subject "Is Dancing Wrong." .. Mr. Russeau McGinnis, of Eminence, Ky., is here in the city visiting his mother-in-law, Mrs. Elmyra Cooksey of 2900 N. 14th street. .. The agent of the Freeman requests every one that are in the arrears to be prepared when he calls.

GRAND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA'S DEBUT

Prof. Dave Peyton's Augmented Orchestra to Give Initial Concert Tuesday Afternoon, November 17

TOM BROWN AND BILLY JOHNSON ARE UNITED

Judge Kavanaugh is Being Groomed for Mayor—Annual Literary Contest to Take Place at Bethel A. M. E. Church Dec. 20 "Negro Culture in West Africa" Just Out—Upsilon Sigma Kappa Dance and Reception a Delightful Affair—Banquet to be Tendered Editor Turner—Oscar De Priest for Alderman.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

Freeman Bureau, 3000 South State St., Phone, Douglass 8058, Automatic 75-233.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 10.—(Special) The Grand Symphony Orchestra will make its debut in this city Tuesday afternon, Nov. 17, at 2:30 o'clock at the Grand Theatre. Prof. Dave Peyton, one of the most widely known men in the musical world, is the director. He has associated with him the best musicians in the "Windy City." This will be the first time in Chicago that an affair of this kind will be given. The music lovers of this city are so appreciative of the efforts of Mr. Peyton that all the bov seats have been sold. An invitation has been extended all the social clubs of the city and it is expected to be a record breaker in attendance.

Prof. Dave Peyton, Director.

Two of the big features on the program are Mr. Harrison Emanuel and Mr. William Tyler. This will be the first time that the Chicago people have heard Mr. Tyler for some time. Mr. Harrison is well known and always attracts large crowds. He is a master with the bow. Madame Lucretia Knox Mitchell and Mr. Charles Young will be the other artists on the program. Mr. Wm. Foster is assisting Mr. Peyton in arranging the program.

DAVID PEYTON.

THE PROGRAM.

1. King of Clubs.............March
   Poet and Peasant ....Overture
   Just for Tonight.Medley Selections
2. Vocal—Madame Lucretia Knox Mitchell .... Selected
3. Selection—"Red Widow".Orchestra
4. Violin Solo—Mr. Harrison Emanuel, accompanied by Mr. Theo. Taylor.
5. Wedding of the Winds.......Hall
   Misery Rag ....Alford
   —Intermission—
6. March .... Selected
   Medley Overture ....Remick (15)
7. Vocal Solo ....Mr. Charles Young
8. By Request ....Memphis Blues
9. Violin Solo—Mr. William Tyler .... Selected
10. Overture—"William Tell".Rossini
    Stars and Stripes..........Sousa
11. Extra.
12. Extra.

The Grand Orchestra is contemplating making a tour during the holidays to Indianapolis, Louisville, Cincinnati, Lexington or Dayton. For further information write Dave Peyton, 3109 State street, Chicago, Ill. This orchestra can give a program followed with dancing music. Admission for Tuesday is 25 cents.

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The election is over. The state of Illinois is in the Republican column. Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman was re-elected United States Senator, Republican. The entire state offices are Republican. Cook county went Democratic. The First and Third Senatorial Districts went Republican. Two race men were elected to the legislature. Editor S. B. Turner was elected to the legislature from the First District and Major R. R. Jackson was re-elected to the legislature from the Third District. This will be the first time in the history of the state two colored men will sit in the state legislature. So jubilant are the colored citizens over the election of Mr. Turner that a banquet is being planned for him at an early date. Many of the leading Republicans will be invited. Mr. James T. Brewington is chairman and Lawyer Blackwell is secretary.

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Tom Brown and Billy Johnson Together.

Tom Brown and Billy Johnson have linked hands and will put on a series of tabloids at the Grand Theatre. They have with them Miss Mattie Wilkes, who has been abroad and has not appeared here in 12 years. Tom Brown's Tom Boys and Billy Johnson's Easy Breezy Girls and they are gems, will be on Nov. 16. The patrons of the Grand will be given an opportunity to enjoy a bill each week from artists who are capable to entertain at this high class house.

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Oscar De Priest for Alderman.

The name of Oscar DePriest is being mentioned for Alderman of the Second Ward. Mr. De Priest is widely known, had experience in public life, knows the game of politics from A to Z, and will be a hard man to beat if the other leaders of the ward support him. Others mentioned are Edward D. Green, Attorney Louis B. Anderson, George H. Jackson, Hon. George W. Ellis, Charles Griffin and William Cowan. It will be one of the most interesting campaigns ever witnessed in Chicago.

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Scramble for Mayoralty Chair.

As soon as the officers of Cook county are seated there will be a lively fight on for the mayoralty seat of this city. One of the men who is being groomed is Judge Marcus A. Kavanaugh of the Superior Court. The name of Judge Kavanaugh said Col. F. A. Denison, is one of the best men in the city and would make an honorable and just man for the place, the kind that colored people will support.

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"Negro Culture in West Africa."

"Negro Culture in West Africa" is the title of the new book recently written by Hon. George W. Ellis, who for a number of years was one of the American diplomatic representatives of the Republic of Liberia and is now contributing editor of the Journal of Race Development of Clark University, Worcester, Mass., one of the leading literary magazines of the world. Mr. Ellis is a recognized authority upon Africa and the Negro race. As a member of the learned scientific and literary societies of America and Europe it is exceedingly fortunate for both white and the black race that this young scholar devoted himself while in the government service in West Africa to the careful scientific and sociological study of the Negro in his aboriginal home. Having spent four years in the University of Kansas in the college department, graduated from a two years' course in Gunton's Institute of Economics and Sociology, New York City, and after two years' post graduate work in philosophy and psychology in Howard University, Washington, D. C., the author was exceedingly well prepared to bring from his African studies a rare and rich fund of knowledge which lurks behind the mystery of African life. The most important phases of this African study of the Negro race is embodied in the volume just issued from the press. It is undoubtedly a remarkable book and constitutes one of the most significant contributions of its kind ever made concerning the Negro in Africa. It touches the highwater marks of the Negro in sociological scholarship and gives new dignity and importance to the Negro in every section of the world. That the book is a revelation is disclosed by the numerous orders which are daily flooding from all sections of the country. The book is very expensive and contains many illustrations of life and art, six pages of Negro written language in native script and a splendid index. Such a book published in London would sell for $4.80 or one pound sterling; but the desire of the author to get a copy in the hands of as many white and colored persons as possible induced him to insist that the price be cut down to the modest sum of $1.15 by mail. Orders for more than five copies will be given a reduction in price upon each volume of orders above ten. No one but the author is authorized to make these terms. Terms to agents will be liberal and information supplied upon application. Orders should be sent with money order direct to writer, George W. Ellis, 3000 South State street, Chicago, Ill.

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Editor Abbott Ill for Several Days.

Editor R. S. Abbott of the Chicago Defender ,was confined to his bed for several days last week. With the attention of a good nurse, he is able to be on the job again.

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Ipsilon Sigma Kappa Reception and Dance.

The Ipsilon Sigma Kappa club gave a dance and reception last Friday night at the Carter Villa. It was a very pretty party, the girls looking extremely beautiful in their early fall gowns. Miss Eloise Carey, the retiring president, delivered a splendid address on the object of the club, which was followed with a talk by Mr. Clarence Payne, the new president. The color scheme was pink and green and Prof. Garfield Wilson and Will Brown furnished the music. A delightful menu was served.

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Big Contest Dec. 20.

The annual literary contest will be held Dec. 20 at Bethel A. M. E. church. Mr. Fitts, the president, has issued the rules, and only those who have won in former contests can enter this time. Two fine presents will be awarded by Dr. Louis Usellman, the jeweler, 3150 South State street.

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"Billy" Lewis Sells Mineral Springs Cafe.

Billy Lewis, proprietor of the Mineral Springs Cafe, 35th and State street, sold his place last week to Mr. William Simmons, a well known man about town. The place will be run as usual with good entertainers nightly.

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Nettie Wilkes Here.

Miss Nettie Wilkes, who has been abroad for a number of years, will be at the Grand next week.

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Mr. John Brown, of Iowa, and Mrs. Anna C. Mallory, of Chicago, greatly surprised their friends Saturday by making a flying trip to Gary, Ind., and returning as Mr. and Mrs. John Brown. At home at 107 W. 38th street.

CURRENT EVENTS OF LAKE FOREST, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss J. R. Dorsey, the house guest of Mrs. Sherrod, has returned to Evanston, to spend a few days with her grandmother before taking her departure to her home in St. Paul, Minn.

Miss H. Holland and Mrs. Young are sparing no pains to make the entertainment to be given at the Durand Institute Monday evening, Nov. 16th, a success. This is the first time in the history of the Lake Forest Collegt that the president has honored the colored people to the hall. Let us show them what we can do by being on time.

Mrs. Washington Jordan's little daughter is very indisposed at this writing, but we hope for its recovery.

Miss Luter was called to New York. Her mother is not expected to live. She has our sympathy.

The writer was in Evanston, Sunday, Nov. 8th, to attend the baptizing. Rev. Thomas Baptis and his revival continue on for another week.

Miss Helen Tivis made a flying trip to Waukegan, Saturday, on business.

Miss Henrietta Holland is on the sick list, but we hope for her speedy recovery.

Mrs. Walter Jordan gave a hay ride Friday evening, Nov. 5th. Several out-of-town guests took a part. After the ride refreshments was served and dancing until the wee wee morning.

Readers of The Freeman get ready for your Christmas number. Put in your order now to avoid the rush.

KENTUCKY'S CAPITAL.

Hon. J. L. Gordon, Grand Master of the Odd Fellows Here—Colored Editor Under Arrest for Criticising the State Board of Education—State Supt. Barkesdale Hamlett Went His Bond of $250—President G. P. Russell, of the State Normal, is Still in Court With His Students—Bowling Green High School to Play State University Football Team in Louisville Thanksgiving Day.

(By Hardin Tolbert.)

FRANKFORT, Ky. — (Special)— Hon. J. L. GoGrdon, of Bowling Green, Ky., the beautiful city of the western part of the state, Grand Master of the United Order of Odd Fellows of Kentucky, was a guest of the city in the interest of his daughter at the State Normal School. Mr. Gordon is a prominent real estate man and one who has yielded a great influence over his coharts of whom he has come in contact with—with that Christian and business influence. He is visiting lodges in the eastern part of the State. Mr. Gordon, while here, sojourned among his many friends and spent the few hours profitably visiting the historical places' of the capital while here. The people of the city extend a glad welcome to the prominent leader to drop in most any time. He brought good news of the Bowling Green high school that they were having a successful school under the pilot ofthe former Frankfort educator of which we were glad ti hear. .. The Kentucky Normal and Industrial Institute trouble revolved into the arrest of the editor of the Frankfort Starfi for criticizing the State Board of Education of which Hardin Tolbert is editor. The writer criticised the president of the institution for having driven out of the girl's dormitory, Miss Willie Mea Toren, a student of the senior class, and having her arrester because she made a speech in the chapel with the president's permission and signed a petition against President Russell. She was the leader of the girls. Miss Vera Metcalfe, of Hopkinsville, was driven out of the dormitory because she would not sign a petition to sustain President Russell. The students marched to the capital where they were received by the Governor. The editor criticised the board and Russell in the following words as appeared through the Star: "The wildest animals of the forest will protect the feminine sex, but here is a man whose heart is as black as Raymond City coal; even worse than a brute, in the person of G. P. Russell, head of this institution, who has no respect for the hand that rocks the cradle that rules the world. His action has by three white men on the board of trustees: Dr. C. A. Fish, Mr. Geo. L. Hannon, former mayor, and J. H. Polsgrove—men of families. If Misses Metcalfe and Tiren were their daughters, you know how they would like for them to be treated as young ladies. I believe that a man who will mistreat one woman will mistreat any woman—white or black. It is plainly shown that these trustees have not the school's best interest. There is no principle involved whatever in their way of conducting business for the State, and perhaps it is as public sentiment treats their action just as a matter of individual whose men standing for wrong as a matter of graft, and a means of building up individual fortunes to the expense of the taxpayers of the State. The best indication that Russell is incompetent. Russell is supposed to be the father of the students and have them arrested." Former Mayor, J. H. Polysgrove informed the editor that a negro had no right to criticise white people, and that he would have him put in jail. Warrants were sworn out by President G. P. Russell, Former Mayor J. H. Polysgrove, Dr. C. A. Fish and Mr. Geo. L. Hannon. State Supt. Barksdale Hamlett went the edieor's bond of $250. Lawyer L. M. Morris is the attorney for the editor. .. The Bowling Green high school, one of the strongest foot ball teams in western Kentucky, will challenge State University Thanksgiving day. There is expected to be a large delegation from the western part of the State to witnes this game.

SHORT FLIGHTS.

By R. W. Thompson.

Bishop C. H. Phillips presided graciously and firmly over the deliberations of the recent session of the Kentucky and Ohio C. M. E. Conference at Cleveland, Ohio, and spoke interestingly on topics bearing upon the religious, civic and industrial advancement of the American people. One of the ablest deliverances of the conference was the response of Rev. L. H. Brown, presiding elder of the Louisville district, on behalf of the conference to the welcome addresses of Rev. William Malone, Editor H. C. Smith and Rev. G. V. Clark. The next session of the conference goes to Louisville, Ky.

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The esteemed Dallas Express has passed its majority. A few days ago it celebrated its twenty-second anniversary. W. E. King, the founder and editor throughout this period, is one of the clearest thinkers and most courageous opinion-moulders in the country and has won fame and influence by the sheer force of his race loyalty, business capacity and square dealing in every field of activity. Brer King makes the fellows squirm sometimes, but he is invariably on the right side of a proposition and eventually convinces the doubter of the correctness of his views. Congratulations, Brer King!

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The colored element of the M. E. church is fully justified in pulling away from the white element, which insists that the Negroes shall be subordinated in the matter of government and official recognition; but there is no need for another separate colored Methodist organization, with a fourth set of bishops, presiding elders, and other functionaries, when we have more of these now than the situation warrants. If the colored M. E.'s wish to separate, and there is much ground for their doing so, they will do well to meditate over the sage advice of The New York Age and try to find a plan by which they may merge with one of the existing colored Methodist bodies. The most natural alliance would be with the C. M. E. connection, the colored end of the M. E. Church South. Combination and concentration are the ruling orders of the day and the wiser heads in the M. E. church will surely look with disfavor upon any policy that will add to the burdens of this already overtaxed race of ours.

A LOS ANGELES JURIST OF NOTE

Success Due to Singletness of Purpose A Hard Student of the Law—Attorney E. Burton Ceruti, of Los Angeles, California, Left New York a Few Years Ago to Try His Fortune in the Great West as a Practitioner Before the Courts, and He is Making Fame for Himself as Well as Reflecting Credit Upon the Race.

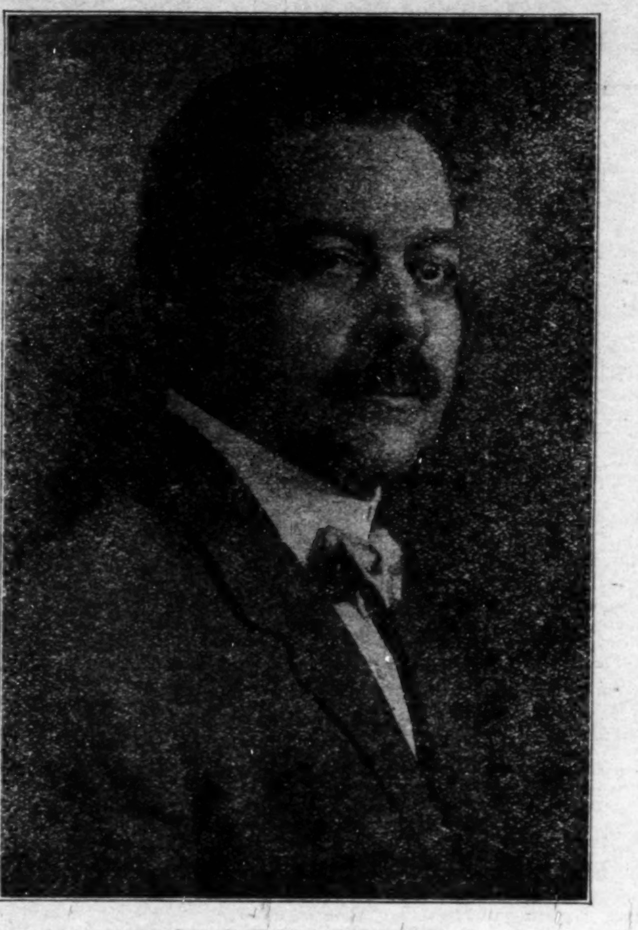
(By Charles Alexander.)

There is no class of men in our history who are burdened with greater responsibilities or enjoyed larger opportunities for service than the well educated professional Negroes of the United States. But recently this class emerged from the dangers and enthralling vicissitudes of the wilderness of ignorance into the effulgent flood of intellectual light. The chief work of this class is to establish confidence so as to disarm the dominent race of its arrogant conceit and prove to the more lowly and humble that wisdom is not to be monopolized by any one class.

Out on the Pacific coast, the western rim of the North American continent, white men and brown men and black men are engaged in the feverish stress of competition. The supreme test is here made—and fitness is measured by success in this fast developing country. The business man has his trials, but the perplexities of the professional man are numerous and apparently inexplicable.

On account of the traditional relation of the black race to the white race it was for a long time the cant of a fatuous philosophy that the Negro could never occupy other than an isolated and always dependent status in the body politic; but in this new and wonderful country, the Negro is working out his destiny in such fashion as to disprove the old system of thought and to establish a truer and finer conception of the theory of the brotherhood of man. And while there are other examples of professional men forging to the front and winning and holding a conspicuous place in the legal and learned pursuits, there is not to be found on the Pacific coast a single man who has accomplished more in his chosen field than the subject of this sketch.

Attorney E. Burton Ceruti, of Los Angeles, California, is one of the ablest jurists in the state. Admirably equipped by thorough training in the law, having broad sympathies, great tolerance of spirit and a remarkably fine personality, he has won an enviable place before the Los Angeles bar. Mr. Ceruti is generally regarded as a man of generous impulses and his host of friends everywhere admire him. Without brag or ostentation, Mr. Ceruti has been able to win for his clients ninety per cent. of the cases entrusted to him since he has been practicing in this city. His methods of obtaining and handling cases conform to the highest standard of legal ethics and the approved methods of attorneys who entertain an exalted appreciation of the dignity of the profession. He is a splendid example of the man who is satisfied only with what he merits and sticks unremittingly to a singleness of purpose. That he has demonstrated his efficiency is attested by the great number and variety of cases he has so successfully handled.



E. BURTON CERUTI,

Attorney Ceruti was admitted to the Los Angeles bar on the 12th day of January, 1912. His success has been wonderful. His training began in the public schools of Jacksonbille, Florida, and in the grammar schools of Nassau in the Bahamas, West Indies. Later he studied in the St. Augustine Normal and Industrial Institute in Raleigh, North Carolina, and in Shaw University. These institutions furnished him with the elementary knowledge of things, but for his fuller preparation for the practice of the law he studied in Howard University in Washington, the Brooklyn (New York) Law School, and St. Lawrence University at Canton, New York. From the latter institution he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Law.

Mr. Ceruti is a man of high sense of honor and would not dain to do an unkind or unjust act. He is a lay-reader in the Episcopal church. His training and fitness for that high and important position is the result of careful study of the moral law. His sermons are convincing and are marked by a sincere belief and true eloquence. He is connected with a number of the leading fraternal organizations of the state. He is a member of Holland Lodge, F. & A. M., exalted ruler of Golden West Lodge No. 86, I. B. P. O. E. W., grand representative of Damon Lodge No. 6, K. of P., and chief scribe of the Faben Phi fraternity. He serves as the grand attorney for the Knights of Pythias in California and is also the attorney for the Enterprise Collection Agency.

While Attorney Ceruti has handled some of the most difficult cases yet presented in the courts of Los Angeles, many of them involving knowledge of subjects far removed from the ordinary range of the lawyer's studies, by his remarkable versatility, wide reading, intimate comprehension of human life and the psychology of crime, he has found it comparativtly easy to win ninety out of every hundred cases which he has handled. His work commands the respect and confidence of the leading lawyers and judges of this community.

The relation of an attorney to his client is of such strict confidential nature as to preclude our obtaining minute details of cases; but because the Burr Harris case attracted so much public notice, not only in California, but throughout the entire country, it is well here to call attention to the fact that in the handling of this case Attorney Ceruti displayed rare and singular genius and skill. It will be remembered that Burr Harris was charged with murder. Attorney Ceruti won an acquittal at the first trial, and is now waging a fight for the life of his client before the Supreme Court on an appeal from a judgment of conviction for murder in the first degree on his second trial. That Burr Harris still lives is due to the skillful manner in which Attorney Ceruti was able to handle his case.

It is a matter of frequent occurrence for Mr. Ceruti to take cases that have been handled and lost by other attorneys. He very often wins such cases in a very short time and thus establishes the reputation of a lawyer that rarely loses a case. The secret of his notable achievements in this direction is due to the fact that he enters into his work with zeal, enthusiasm and indomitable will. He believes in punctuality and realizes the dangers lurking in delays. All classes of citizens of Los Angeles are learning to seek his service when they require a safe, efficient and painstaking attorney.

A case which is destined to attract considerable attention throughout the country and which Mr. Ceruti will contest with vigor, is the discrimination against colored children in the public schools in El Centro, California. The colored people have already retained him for the case. They have organized the Parents Association for that purpose. It is confidently believed that the attitude of the public mind on this grave question will be clearly understood when he makes his appeal for justice for the colored boys and girls of El Centro.

SUPERIOR, WIS.

(By Joe M. Polk.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Jennie Babb, of Nashville, Tenn., left the city last week for her home to spend the winter. Mrs. Babb has lived in Superior for the past two years with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McHall, of 1219 North Third street.

Mrs. Bessie Polk arrived in the city today after a six months 'stay in Sedalia, Mo., and will spend the winter here with her husband, Mr. Joe M. Polk, Superior's agent for The Freeman and the Chicago Defender, 1305 North Third street.

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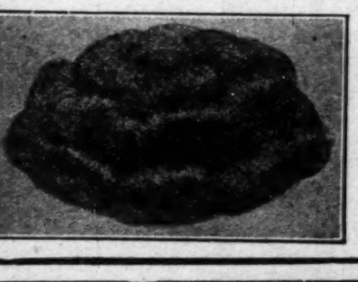

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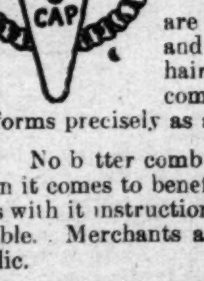

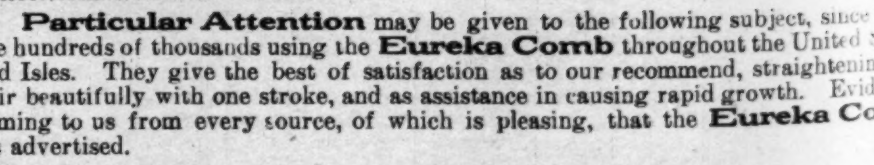

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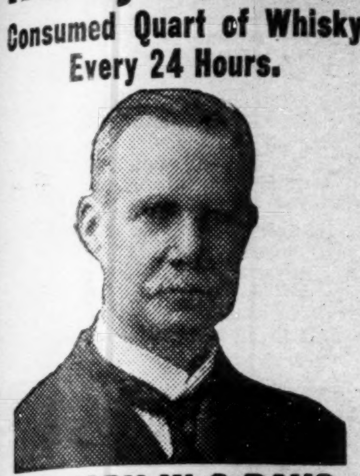

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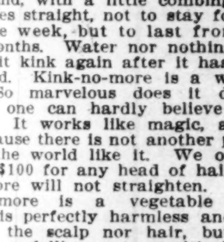

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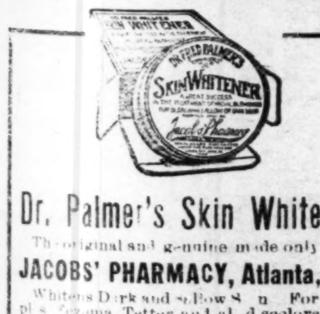

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Dr. G. W. Allen, Takes Exceptions to My Dots in The Indianapolis Freeman—Answered.

(By J. G. Robinson, D.D.)

In the Southern Christian Recorder, of Oct. 16, 1914, Dr. G. W. Allen took occasion to write and publish an editorial under caption "puts the A. M. E. church in wrong light." The following is the editorial: "Dr. J. G. Robinson, the Dots man, in an article published in The Freeman, reports over fifty candidates for the Bishopric and declares that there are more whose names were not given nor counted in the number. While quite a few of the great men of the A. M. E. church have been mentioned by their friends, as suitable subjects for the exalted position, but that does not constitute the candidacy for the bishopric. Up to this writing, Dr. Robinson cannot name a half dozen properly announced candidates in the A. M. E. connection. The mention of a man's name does not make that man a candidate. In the list published, and furnished by Dr. Robinson, are names of men who never dreamed of becoming candidates for the bishopric and some would not accept if nominated." Dr. Allen then goes on to tell how political parties nominate candidates for office and concludes the editorial as follows: "The mere endorsement of a man by public meetings, before action of a consultative meeting, does not make the endorsed man a candidate in the true sense of the word. A man may be a self constituted candidate, and announce his candidacy to the people, but in the church, the self made candidate generally remains where he started so far as election is concerned. The Southern Christian Recorder thinks, that the great A. M. E. church and her meritorious men should be properly represented when one of our own men attempts to tell the world what we are doing on the inside."

In The Indianapolis Freeman, of Oct. 17, 1914, an article under caption "Just a Few Dots That's All" from my pen was published, in which I discussed general church matters, and in the same article I gave the following names as men worthy of being mentioned in connection with the Bishopric in the A. M. E. church, viz:

"Returning to connectional matters. Here are a few, of the many names that (D. V.) will be presented to the general conferenece to be voted for, for the bishopric. Arkansas: Rev. A. H. Hill, D.D., and Rev. H. G. Montgomery, D.D. Alabama: Rev. G. W. Allen, D.D., Rev. J. W. Walker, D.D., Rev. W. H. Mixon, D.D., and Rev. R. B. Brooks, D.D. California: Rev. F. Jessie Peck, D.D. Florida: Rev. G. W. Hawkins, D.D., Rev. E. J. Grigg, D.D., Rev. W. D. Certain, D.D. and Rev. Dr. Brooks. Georgia: Here we will unload: Rev. W. A. Fountain, D.D. On the square I wrote the word "Georgia," and said "here we will unload," then wrote the name of Dr. W. A. Fountain, and my Fountain pen was empty. I am in a little country town on my district. I had to go to the postoffice and re-load my fountain pen. I am now back at it—Georgia: Drs. W. A. Fountain, P. G. Simmons, G. W. Alexander, H. D. Canaday, W. O. P. Sherman, W. D. Johnson, R. H. Singleton, J. A. Hadley, S. D. Roseboro, J. O. Iverson, P. W. Greatheart and A. Cooper. Exactly twelve. Bishop Flipper leading. Makes old Georgia have the number that organized the christian system, Jesus and his disciples. Indiana: Rev. D. P. Roberts. Kentucky: Rev. P. A. Nichols and G. F. David. Missouri: Rev. W. Sampson Brooks, D.D. Mississippi: Rev. J. J. Morant, D.D., Rev. W. T. Strong, Rev. D. H. Butler, D.D., and Rev. W. T. Vernon, D.D. Maryland: Rev. A. L. Gains, D.D., Rev. I. N. Ross, D.D. Illinois: Rev. T. A. Smythe, D.D., Rev. W. D. Cook, D.D., Rev. A. J. Carey, D.D., and Rev. J. C. Anderson, D.D. New Jersey: Rev. A. L. Murray, D.D. New York: Rev. B. W. Arnett, D.D. Massachusetts: Rev. M. W. Thornton, D. D. Pennsylvania: Rev. W. H. H. Butler, D.D., Rev. T. J. Askew, D.D., and Rev. C. C. Dunlap, D.D. South Carolina: Rev. Sandley Simmons, D.D., Rev. W. W. Beckett, D.D., and Rev. L. R. Nicholas, D.D. North Carolina: Rev. R. H. W. Leake, D.D. Oklahoma: Rev. Chas. R. Tucker, D.D. Tennessee: Rev. J. A. Jones, D.D., Rev. G. W. Porter, D.D. and Rev. J. A. Lindsay, D.D. Texas: Rev. R. S. Jenkins, D. D., Rev. J. W. Rankin, D.D., and Rev. J. L. Maten, D.D. West Virginia: Rev. R. R. Downs, D.D. District of Columbia: Rev. C. H. Steptau, D.D. West Africa: Rev. Dr. Curtis. Look over this list of fifty-seven names, measure the men by their character and connectional strength, and you will see that there will be a giant struggle at Philadelphia. Mark you, I know I have (not intentionally) missed some names."

To the above, the astute Dr. Allen takes exceptions. I want you to read Dr. Allen's editorial—or rather that portion of it which I here give. Then read the above extract from my Freeman letter, and see if I have in any way put the A. M. E. church in a "wrong light," as Dr. Allen would have you believe? Mark you. First: I am accused of naming fifty or more candidates for the bishopric in the A. M. E. church, when the truth of the matter is, I did not say that a single man whom I named in my list was a "candidate." I simply said that their names would "be presented to the general conference."

But if I had said that they were "candidates," I would not have told an untruth. You read Dr. Allen's interpretation of the word "candidate," then take your dictionary, and read Mr. Webster's interpretation of the same word and you will see that I did not miss the mark, or would not have missed the mark if I had said that those men were "candidates."

Mr. Webster defines the word "candidate" in the following language: "Candidate, One who offers himself, or is offered by others as a suitable person or an aspirant or contestant for office, privilege or honor." Now, brother you read that. If the men I have named, or any of them have offered themselves for the bishopric, or if any other persons have offered them or any one of them for the bishopric, they are "candidates." Now let us see. Dr. Allen says: "Dr. Robinson cannot name a half dozen properly constituted candidates." I want to know when did the A. M. E. church set up any rules for the "properly constituting of candidates" for the office of bishop, other than that the persons who offer themselves, or are offered by others are Elders in good standing in the church?

What harm could I have done the great A. M. E. church by saying that there are more than fifty men who are worthy of being bishops in the church? I think it would be a shame, after a hundred years of toil and sacrifice if we, with nearly one million members, and thousands of ministers leading them, did not have fifty men worthy of becoming bishop. I now declare, and may be to my hurt, that we have fifty, and more men, who are just as worthy as are the men who are on the present bench. But, that is little far fetched from the subject at hand. I want to show that there are more than a "half dozen" real "candidates for the office of bishop." If the men I name here are not candidates, I have received some very peculiar letters from all sections of the country about some of them from others than the men themselves. Follow me now. Arkansas; Ask Dr. A. H. Hill if he is not a candidate for the bishopric. One. Ask Dr. H. G. Montgomery if he is not a candidate for the West African bishopric. Two. Alabama: Ask Dr. W. H. Mixon if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; three. Ask Dr. J. W. Walker if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; four. Ask Dr. R. D. Brooks if he is not candidate for the bishopric; five. Ask Dr. G. W. W. Allen if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; six. O. O. O. "Half dozen." But let us continue. California: Ask Dr. F. Jessie Peck if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; seven. Ask Drs. G. W. Hawkins, Jon. A. Greegg, W. D. Certain and Rev. Dr. Brooks of Florida if they are not candidates for the bishopric; eleven. Ask Drs. W. A. Fountain, P. G. Simmons, W. G. Alexander, H. D. Canaday, W. O. P. Sherman, W. D. Johnson, R. H. Singleton, J. A. Hadley, S. D. Roseboro, J. O. Iverson, P. W. Greatheart, and Allen Cooper if they are not candidates for the bishopric; twenty-three. Ask Dr. D. P. Roberts of Indianapolis if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; twenty-four. Two dozen). Ask Revs. P. A. Nichols and G. F. Davir of Kentucky if they are not candidates for the bishopric; twenty-six. Ask Rev. W. Sampson Brooks of St. Louis if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; twenty-seven. Ask the following men of Mississippi if they are not candidates for the bishopric: Drs. J. J. Morant, W. T. Vernon, W. T. Strong and D. H. Butler. Thirty-one. Ask Revs. A. L. Gains and I. N. Ross of Baltimore if they are not candidates for the bishopric; thirty-three. Go to Chicago and ask Drs. A. J. Carey, W. D. Cook, T. A. Smythe and J. C. Anderson if they are not candidates for the bishopric; thirty-seven. Ask Rev. A. L. Murray of New Jersey if he is not a candidate for the bishopric: thirty-eighth. Ask dear old "Ben" Arnette of New York if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; thirty-nine. Ask Dr. M. W. Thornton of Boston if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; forty. Ask Drs. W. H. H. Butler, T. J. Askew, C. C. Dunlap and H. Y. Arnette if they are not candidates for the bishopric; forty-three. Ask Drs. W. W. Beckett, Sanday Simmons and L. R. Nicholas of South Carolina if they are not candidates for the bishopric; forty-six. Ask grand old r. R. H. W. Leake of North Carolina if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; forty-seven. Ask Rev. Charles R. Tucker of Oklahoma, if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; forty-eighth. Tennessee comes forward with three: Revs. Jas. A. Jones, Jas. A. Lindsay and G. W. Porter, ask them if they are not candidates for the bishopric; fifty-one. Ask Drs. R. S. Jenkins, J. S. Moten and J. W. Rankin if they are not candidates for the bishopric; fifty-four. Ask Dr. R. R. Downs of West Virginia if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; fifty-five. Ask Dr. C. H. Steptau of the District of Columbia if he is not a candidate for the bishopric; fifty-six. Ask any and all of these men if they are not candidates for the bishopric. I want to make a proposition to Dr. Allen concerning his unique "half dozen." If Dr. Allen will ask these men by writing them personal letters or in an editorial, I venture the statement that he will not get a "half dozen" of them to say to him and to the church that they are not candidates.

Dr. Allen makes the remark that I have named men who have never "dreamed" of being bishops. I want to see the prominent minister in the A. M. E. church who has not had the "dream" of becoming bishop some day in his life. I also want to see those who, if nominated and with anything like a fair chance of election, come forward, and say that they would decline the honor. Again: Dr. Allen talks about my telling things through The Freeman that should be kept on the "inside." It seems to me that when the Great Editor of the Southern Recorder talks about not giving to the world "inside" matters of the church, that he is doing more to "put the church in the wrong light than is the Dots man." For the church ought to have nothing that she cannot let go to the outside.

But, one thing I want to give notice right now. If Dr. Allen or any other set of men have a little clique which they want to make "candidates" for the bishopric by a "consultative" counsel, that we are going to mow them down like the seige guns of the Germans did at Liege and Antwerp, just as we did at Kansas City when we broke up the combination passed upon by the "consultative committee" prior to that gathering. As at Kansas City, so at Philadelphia, the "consultative council" will be the great church. Men like W. D. Chappelle and his class will go in, if anybody goes in, whether passed upon by a pre-"consultative council" or not.

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Shorter College, our State school at Argenta, Ark., under the presidency of Dr. Wm. Byrd and the Deanship of Dr. J. N. Campbelle, is taking on new life. Dr. Byrd is from Atlanta, Ga., where for many years he was a professor at Morris Brown University. He is a great preacher and a ripe scholar. Dr. Campbelle is a son of Arkansas. He is a great preacher and an upright man.

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The following are the presiding elders of the four conferences in Arkansas, Ark., Conference: Revs. V. M. Townsend, D. D.; J. M. B. Meshell, B. D.; H. C. Beasley, D. D.; J. M. Sutton, D. D., and D. D. Dennis. West Arkansas Conference: Revs. W. H. Jones, D. D.; H. G. Montgomery, D. D.; W. LeGrand, Wm. Lampkin, R. R. Block and E. F. Davis. South Arkansas Conference: Revs. J. W. Whitesides, D. D.; Jas. Jones, H. Scott, D. D.; Jno. H. Clayborn, B. P., and H. D. Brown. East Arkansas Conference: Revs. W. T. Pope, R. C. Holbrook, A. M., D. D., J. G. Robinson, D. D., Wm. Winston, D. D., and B. J. Finney.

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The following laymen will have to be reckoned with in General Conference matters in this State, viz.: Drs. F. P. Lytes and J. W. Parker, and Professors Hall, M. Taylor, Wm. Townsend, F. T. Vinegar and W. B. Cloman, Pine Bluff; Dr. J. G. Thornton and Mr. J. I. Blakeley, Little Rock; Dr. J. W. West, Hensley; Prof. A. L. Fleming, Edmondson; Mr. W. A. Anderson, Helena; Prof. L. A. Dryner and Mr. S. A. Hughes, Stephens; Mr. J. B. Murphy, Camden, and Prof. W. H. Van Buren, Clarendon.

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Saturday night, October 24th, in a pistol duel with a colored man by the name of Davis, the city marshal of Newport was killed and Sunday in broad daylight an unmasked mob took Davis from the county jail and hung him in the court house yard. Newport has been considered one of the most liberal cities in the South. But no one can tell what these people will do when they are stirred to mob heat.

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More than a year ago, at Conway, Ark., an old colored woman and eight other persons—young men and women—were charged with having mistreated an ignorant orphan white girl. At one time prior to the trial the excitement was so high that some of the parties were sent to Little Rock for safe keeping to prevent being lynched. At the trial the old lady and the others were sent to the State penitentiary for terms ranging from five years to thirty-three years—all the sentences placed in one—would make more than one hundred years. The white girl was sent to a Christian school. Last week she broke out of the school and went before the Governor and made oath that all the parties were innocent. She said that by Christianity her conscience had been awakened and that she had to tell the truth, if she had to be prosecuted for perjury. She said the old woman had always been to her a mother, and that the younger persons had all feared, respected and honored her. Shame! Those poor people spent a year in the penitentiary. The Governor will pardon them so we are informed.

1413 Ga. St., Pine Bluff, Ark.

THE "SILVER FLEECE" A WHITE ELEPHANT—HOG RAISING AS A CASH CROP.

All over the south, the "silver fleece" has become a "white elephant" on the hands of the farmers and everywhere they are getting together and resolving to invest their time and land, next year, in something which can be easily converted into cash or immediate use.

When the farmer has raised milk, butter, eggs, pork, vegetables, corn, fruit and such things, he has something which will afford him direct or cash value and if for some reason he does not desire to sell, they are available for his own consumption without leaving the farm.

With a wonderfully prophetic insight tempered with prudence and commonsense, Dr. Booker T. Washington, in a recent open letter sent broadcast over the south, urged the colored people to devote their energies to the raising of products on their farms which have immediate and direct cash value rather than take a gambler's chance on too much cotton whose value is abstract, potentila and entirely dependent upon the "frenzied" fancies of capital.

As is usually the case in such instanoes, white people are quicker to grasp the significance and importance of such an idea, than their less fortunate brothers for whose benefit Dr. Washington proposed it. In commenting on Dr. Washington's raise-a-pig movement, The Lakeland (Fla.) News sees it as valuable for all the people. It says: "An excellent idea, and it would have even greater excellence if this raise-a-pig movement should prove catching and take in all the people, white and colored. 'In pig signo vinces' would be a proud slogan under which to battle against the forces of hard times."

The Staunton (Va.) News likewise takes a broad, comprehensive view and says: "This is excellent advice, and white people might follow it with equal profit. The south has given itself u pto cotton in a large measure and is now suffering because cotton will not buy the things it usually buys. * * * A little less cotton and a little more meat will add greatly to the wealth and prosperity of the south.

The Savannah (Ga.) News adds this valuable thought: "One pig or even two or three pigs, could pick up a good living about the premises of the average negro farmer without expense to him and would be building flesh that would bring him a comfortable sum in the killing season."

By far the most positive proof of Dr. Washington's wisdom in this matter is expressed in the following news item from Texas, showing how the progressive white people of the south, appreciate the value of hog-raising at this time. The article says, in part:

"Secretary George A. Toolan of the San Benito Commercial Club, has advised the Texas Industrial Congress that a new approach to the proposition of growing hogs on the farm as a 'cash crop' has been made under the leadership of Mr. R. O. Barron, a progressive farmer of San Benito. Without waiting for the banks to furnish credit, Mr. Barron purchased a carload of thoroughbred Duroc Jersey sows from the stockyards at Fort Worth and had them shipped to San Benito. Then he carefully selected a number of worthy farmers and leased them one or more sows each, as the circumstances appeared to justify. By the terms of the lease, the lessee agreed to care properly for the sows, which had all been bred before shipment, and at the end of three months to return the sows and one-half of the pigs to Mr. Barron, keeping the other half for himself. * * * The introduction of hog-raising on a larger scale around San Benito has not only furnished every grower with meat but has also provided a 'cash crop' that wartime conditions will only render more remunerative. * * *"

CHAS. H. WILSON, SECOND WAITER, PASSES AWAY.

Was Employed for Thirty Years at the Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mr. Chas. H. Wilson, our esteemed co-laborer and second waiter of the Arlington Hotel, passed away to the world beyond, Saturday morning, October 24th, at 10 a. m., at his residence. Deceased came to an untimely end during an operation which proved to be unsuccessful.

The death of Chas. Wilson was a sudden shock to the Arlington waiters and the community, which could not be realized by all who knew him that he had passed away so suddenly.

The deceased has been employed in the Arlington Hotel for the past thirty years and has given perfect satisfaction in the service and has always enjoyed the confidence of the managers, head waiters and waiters, and was polite, courteous and accommodating in every respect. He was a man of ambition, energetic, thrifty and honest, always clamoring for higher ideals in life, and was a husband devoted strictly to his family. The funeral services were held from St. Mary's Episcopal church, of which he was a member and treasurer of the church. Rev. Johnson, the pastor, officiated at the burial services. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias and his lodge brethren turned out in large numbers. The hotel men, especially the waiters of the Arlington, were also out in a great body, paying their last respects to the deceased, their co-laborer, comrade and friend. The Arlington waiters deeply regret the loss of their co-laborer and extend their deepest sympathy to the bereaved family which is left to mourn his loss. But as the poet says:

"Asleep in Jesus' blessed sleep
From which none ever wakes to weep,
A calm and undisturbed repose,
Unbroken by the last of foes."

The deceased leaves a wife, son, brother and two sisters, also a host of friends, to mourn his loss.

Respectfully,
ARLINGTON HOTEL WAITERS,
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Wm. ACREE, Head Waiter.

Resolutions.

Whereas, The Almighty, our Supreme Being, has seen fit to take from among us our co-laborer, friend, comrade and second waiter of the Arlington Hotel, on Saturday, October 24, 1914, and the sudden, tragic, untimely end was a shock to the waiters and community at large,

Therefore Be It Resolved, That we hereby express our regret and extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family who are left to mourn his loss.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in our leading journals and also a copy sent to the family. Signed: Wm. Acree, head waiter; Sol. Young, B. F. Shaw, Chas. Burns, C. C. Bradley, Arthur Nance, James Neeley, Price Dooley, Yancy Scroggins, W. L. Bryant, A. R. Bennet, A. J. Lewis, Jesse Fletcher, J. H. H. Johnson, Chas. Templeton, Jeff Clardy.

"LET'S HELP THE COLORED FAIR" THE SLOGAN OF THE HERALD.

To the Indianapolis Freeman.

ALBANY, Ga.—As evidencing something of the warm and cordial relations that exist in many parts of the South, between white and colored people, attention is called to the Southwest Georgia Negro Fair, which has been held here at Albany, October 22d to 28th.

Dr. Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, delivered the opening address and there have been present during the week many prominent and important white and colored citizens, including Hon. B. J. Davis, editor of The Atlanta Independent.

The colored people have been encouraged on every hand by their white fellow citizens and the editor of the Albany Herald, the daily paper printed here, published in his paper of October 28 a ringing editorial expression, as follows:

Let's Help the Negro Fair.

The Southwest Georgia Negro Fair, which opened on Thursday last, will run through the rest of this week, and it has occurred to The Herald that it would be the proper and graceful thing for all the people of Albany, white and black, to claim a day at the Fair and patronize the enterprise to the extent, at least, of paying, individually, the price of admission to the grounds.

All can afford to do this much for the Negro Fair, and it seems to us that it would be pretty hard for an Albanian to frame up an excuse that would justify him in refusing to do it.

The negroes have had many obstacles and hindrances to contend with in organizing for and pressing to a successful conclusion their first fair, but they have "done their best" in a most commendable undertaking, and our business men and citizens generally should not let the fair close without designating a day as Albany Day and patronizing the enterprise in an encouraging and substantial way.

We suggest that we take next Friday for Albany Day, and that we all visit the Fair and pay the price of admission. It would be not only an expression of good will upon the part of our citizens generally, but would at the same time amount to a substantial life to the Southwest Georgia Negro Fair Association.

Friday has been designated on the regular program as Educational Day at the Fair, but we can make it Albany Day, too, without conflicting in the least with any of the regular order of exercises. Addresses are to be made on Friday by State School Commissioner M. L. Brittain and perhaps others, and the negro schools are expected to turn out on that day. The exhibits in the main building will be found interesting, and those who want amusement will find it in the various tented attractions. The Flying Bicketts will also be seen in their open air trapeze work.

Let us make it a point to visit the Negro Fair at some hour of the day on Friday.

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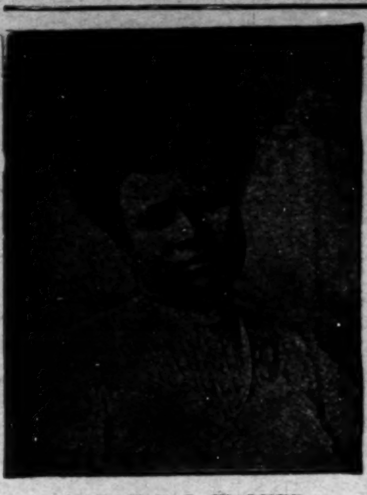

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If the hunting season will have any influence on bacon at thirty-five cents per it will be hailed with pleasure.

Liberia, the little African republic, is said to be unable to meet its financial obligations, owing to the European war. They will have to put up the sign, "moratorium declared."

The Democrats of the State of Maryland passed a Jim Car law and made three separate attempts to pass a disfranchisement law, which were only defeated by the activity of Cardinal Gibbons and the factional strife with Florida Sentinel.

Cardinal Gibbons is a catholic. This is a reminder that we need all the friends that we can get. They can serve us at times when we can't serve ourselves.

It has been suggested that a colored person be appointed as one of the officers of the Juvenile Court. A large number of cases of this court has to do with the colored people, consequently it is of importance to have some one who can move with freedom among them. Two persons, a woman and a man, would be better than one woman or one man. Girls and boys are offenders alike. This means that there should be colored male and female officers just as there are white male and female officers.

The Daily Clarion-Ledger of Jackson, Miss., recently had the following: "Jackson has witnessed numerous parades within the last ten days—the Cotton Parade for opening day of the State Fair; the Reily Parade, the Bilbo Parade, Mississippi Travelers' Parade, United Commercial Travelers' Parade, but none that exceeded in length and uniqueness the Darkies' Parade on Wednesday, opening day of the Negro Fair. It reached from Poindexter Park to the Fair Grounds, and then some."

The word darkies is as a fly in the ointment. Guess it will be all right if we think of the ointment with the fly out of it.

A company of colored men are building an interurban road between Washington and Columbus, Arkansas. According to information the road is well underway, and it will be but a short time before the cars will be running. The distance between the two towns is not great, nevertheless, the enterprise calls for considerable financial skill and ingenuity. In event of success the road will be the first one in the country to be completely manned by colored people. The management, which is located at 1210 Georgia street, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, invites visitors to the scene of operation, if they care to investigate the affairs of the company. Shares of stock are on the market.

The explanation of the lost cause of the Progressive party is very brief. The Progressive party did not spring up as a necessity as Abraham Lincoln's party did. Great squads of men do not break off abruptly into movements that give promise to stay. Great squads of men are not suddenly converted to any opinion worth while. They may be momentarily inflamed, swept off of their feet, impassioned by a Roosevelt who promises a cure of their very ills, when they may do things which they had never dreamed of doing before. The "spell" now gone, the squads of men find themselves struggling back to their old affiliations. The Progressive party had not a single new principle to advance. It had splendid men, good meaning men, it was the best born party in the world's history. But it had no prop or stay, sustenance or aliment, and like the camel, some what, in its hour of thirst, consumed in its own hump—and were no more.

BEATING ARRESTED MEN.

An arrested man, according to some police officers, does not amount to much. A few days ago a colored man was arrested and for some reason he was beaten unmercifully by the officer having him in charge. The colored man says that the attack was unprovoked. The policemen are not allowed to answer such charges, consequently his side of the story is not known.

We have said more than once that a policeman has no more right to strike an individual than any other man. He should be the last man to strike another, instead of being so ready as some of them are. They think it is necessary to show their authority, when they should conceal it as much as possible. Their guns and clubs are weapons of defense and not of offense. Some policemen feel insulted because some men talk back, feeling it their duty to swat them one. A police officer is not a court where one may be fined or punished in some way for contempt. A policeman should be satisfied as long as he has his man safely in custody. Perhaps, to abuse an officer, to call him vile names, might justify rough treatment. But arrested men as a rule are merely bent on arguing their trials with the policemen. The policemen are known to call men liars in such cases, also telling them to shut up as if they were children. If they do not shut up out comes a billy in one hand and a gun in the other and the arrested man is in for a good beating. Such men have no place among a body of men whose duty it is to keep the peace.

The Negro In The M. E. Church.

Two hundred ministers and laymen of the Methodist Episcopal church, coming from eighteen colored annual conference territories, in council assembled at Clark Memorial Methodist Episcopal church, Nashville, Tenn., Wednesday and Thursday, October 21 and 22, 1914. The object of the meeting was to declare principles regarding the future policy of the church as they concern the races. The deliberations were far reaching and highly significant, but not meant to be binding on the church. The conference served, it is thought, the present status and the tendency.

While the racial trend was the motive of the conference, yet other questions of importance to the general church were discussed, and set forth in a platform of principles.

The concluding paragraph, the one where most interest centered, is as follows:

We also rejoice in the growing movement for church federation and unity; the colored man has nothing to gain by sectionalism and we are therefore willing to treat on organic union upon the New Testament basis. With the light now before us, we approve of the plan of the Federation Commission for the reorganization of Methodism providing for judicial or quadrennial conferences with identical powers and privileges, one of which is to be composed of the affiliated colored membership.

According to the Southwestern Christian Advocate bishops for the races was a sense of the conference, this working around the vexed race question of "bishops-at-large" regardless of color. As we view it this is the most agreeable way out of a somewhat ugly situation which, freed of the world anti-race feeling, would be wholly unchristian. It is not up to that special church to bring around the reform necessary to comport fully with the Christ doctrine. Perhaps it would do it, but it cannot. So we have got to apply common sense views even to our religion. The white side of that church is to be commended for its studious effort to demonstrate the Christian spirit. The age scarcely permits more than it does. The brotherhood of man is the ideal; it may be coming. In that fact, the declarative, that it is coming, answers the severest test of Christianity; we mean when black men may preside over white conference and enjoy other interchangeable relations without arousing the sign of protest.

In all that the conference proposed it strikes us, that it was strictly in accord with the racial attitude of the moment. Ten years from now, perhaps, the declarations in part may have to be revised. Co-ordinate relationship is demanded today, keeping the great church intact, holding men at par, as to the offices. This was thought to be practical by the Nashville Conference.

CHURCH, SOCIETY AND GENERAL NEWS.

Greenville, Tex., Nov. 9, 1914.

All of the churches of the city were well attended Sunday.

The rally at the M. E. church Sunday last was quite a success. The members and their faithful pastor, Rev. J. E. Beal, are to be congratulated.

Rev. H. L. Crawford and his members of Clark Street Christian church are very much enthused over the prospect of raising their $1,000 in their rally planned for the first Sunday in December.

Rev. J. G. Sims passed through the city this morning en route to his home in Paris, Texas, where he is pastoring Mt. Canaan Baptist church.

Mrs. G. W. B. Howell is convalescing.

Mrs. Dr. L. W. Taylor was at home Sunday, November 1st, from her school at Sulphur Springs.

The Greenville compress was discovered on fire Saturday night about 12:30 o'clock, but by the quick work of the fire department the flames were soon under control.

Mr. Willie Daniels, after making the season with the Alabama Minstrels, is at home for the winter and sends his regards to all of the boys.

The Ella B. Moore Stock Co. closed after a two weeks' engagement November 7th, to open at Paris, Tex., at the Pastime Theatre.

Mr. Ulysses Hisbon, our popular cafe man, has never failed to bring me The Freeman.

Sunday night there was quite an excitement in North Greenville over an affray between Jim Johnson and his wife, which proved to be quite a serious affair. In the round Mr. Johnson bit Mrs. Johnson's right ear off and his daughter, Rosa, sustained a bruised nose and a broken finger. The injured people were resting well Monday morning and Mr. Johnson is confined in the jail.

The Harry C. Sanford Stock Co. opened a two weeks' engagement Monday, Nov. 9th, at the Pastime Theatre with the following line up: Mr. James Day, better known as "Turtle Hot Bone;" Mr. Henry Dixon, dramatic character man; Mr. Luther McCoy, straight man; Miss Thelma Fant, soubrette and line artist; Miss Carrie Huff, the real classic entertainer; the team of Sanford and Sanford, the ones they all know.

Prof. H. D. Culberson and assistant, Mrs. Culberson, open school November 1st on College Hill with a good enrollment.

Mrs. Sarah Williams, of Fort Worth, is in the city visiting relatives.

The Freeman is on sale every Saturday at the Pastime Theatre. W. D. Pratt, reporter.

HARRIMAN, TENN.

The ladies of the M. E. church gave a very delightful musical Thursday evening at the Masonic Hall. The Big Four Quartette responded to two selections, which were heartily applauded. Last but by no means least were the well known teams of Howard & Howard. Also Smith & Smith. These combinations furnished the greater part of fun. There was a debate in which several of the local men took part, out of which much fun was had.

Mr. Chas. Hale, of New York, is here visiting his mother and has opened up what is known as the Majestic Dancing School.

Lawyer Brown's many friends are glad to know that he was admitted to the Roane county bar on Saturday, November 7, and he represented four clients, all of whom he put on the bricks and caused the prosecuting witness to draw a nice little fine of $50 and 90 days in jail. This looks good to us on behalf of Lawyer Brown.

Last Sunday was quarterly meeting of the M. E. church. Our presiding elder, Rev. Forrest, was with us.

Rev. P. L. Grooms, of the Baptist church, preached for Rev. Johnson, of the M. E. church, last Sunday.

Now, if you have not the habit see Mr. Chas. Hale and get it for tango by Mr. Basil's music. It is one dream.

Anyone wishing the Freeman see Wm. Lyles.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Oscar Agee spent Sunday in Cleveland an dattended the Saint Rent church. Rev. Wotton, pastor.

Mr. Ed. Williams, formerly of New York City, is quite ill at his residence, 907 North avenue.

Buckeye Lodge of Elks, No. 73, will meet in regular session Thursday evening.

Mrs. W. O. Harper, of Garfield street, is very ill.

Louisa Edwards Court, No. 30, will meet in regular session Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Frank Hall entertained a number of ladies October 27th in honor of Miss Adlate Stewart. The colors were pink and white roses. At 2:30 a very dainty lunch was served. The table was decorated with lovely cards with verses and miniature candles. After returning from dining room the afternoon was spent in progressive whist and music. There were twenty-five ladies present.

Charles A. Jackson, of Myrtle avenue, is on the sick list.

Mr. Harry Palmer, of Washington, D. C., is visiting his cousin in Youngstown, Ohio.

Mr. G. R. Holmes returned from Detroit, Mich., Saturday. He was there on business and sold an expensive lot.

Mrs. H. Tilliman, of North Hine street, is on the sick list.

Miss Florence Watkins, of Sandusky, Ohio, is visiting in Youngstown for a few days.

Mr. Herbert, of Washington, and Mr. Cecil B. Leotar are visiting in Youngstown. They visited the Elks' party Monday evening.

THE DEATH OF RUSSELL B. PENMAN, PORTSMOUTH, OHIO.

Victor Penman, colored chef at the Manhattan restaurant, has returned from Meadville, Pa., where he was called by the death of his father, the late Russell B. Penman. Concerning his death the Meadville Tribune says: "The death of Russell B. Penman, which occurred at his home, on Randolph street about 5:30 Monday morning, marks the passing of a man who for 23 years was a conspicuous figure in Meadville as the largest man. But it was not wholly in weight or giant strength that Mr. Penman was conspicuous, for he was a leader among the colored citizenship, a man of firm christian conviction and practice, and a good citizen. Mr. Penman was born in Danville, Ky., about 70 years ago and came to Meadville 41 years ago, where for 23 years he followed his trade as a barber in his shop in the then Delamater Block, now the Lafayette, under where now is the D. T. Reamer jewelry store. He was an earnest member of the Bethel A. M. E. church, very active as long as he was able. He was also a life member of the Grand Lodge F. and A. M. with which order he united in Philadelphia. He is survived by his wife, three sons, Victor of Portsmouth, O., Edward and W. G. of Meadville, and two daughters, Mrs. Clarence Chinn of this city and Mrs. Margaret Hunter of Jersey City. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Susan Davis and a brother, Marshall Penman, both of Danville, Ky."

Mrs. George White, of Waller, who has been on the sick list, is some better.

Miss Stella Brooks, of Ironton, is here visiting friends.

Mr. Arville Ross, of Huntington, W. Va., is visiting at Mr. Dabney.

Mr. James Mehin, who has put a new house on his lot on 11th street, is a very successful young man. He has the good wishes of his many friends.

Mrs. Clifford Straton and her son, Alvin, of Cleveland, is here visiting her friends and is stopping with Mrs. Banks on 11th street. The Straton's are formerly of this city, and their many friends, white and black, will be glad to know that they are very successful for they are very good citizens.

Mr. Robert Bowen has just returned from Altoona, where his sister was operated on. She is getting along very nicely.

The banquet given by the Silver Leaf Court No. 2 at the A. O. U. Hall, was a grand success. Everybody enjoyed themselves and others.

If you have no church to attend come to the A. M. E. church and hear Rev. Irvin preach the words of God. His sermons are very impressive and true. The church is growing. Will you come and help?

Mrs. Mary Sonaker has been very ill, but is some better.

Mr. Charles Durfey, of 11th street, is the champion rabbit raiser in the city. He had about the best stock.

Rev. McCoomer rally was a success and he thanks the members and friends for their help.

The pound surprise on Rev. Irvin last Wednesday evening was gladly received by Rev. and his wife, and their many best wishes were extended to all that took part in so freely giving.

PINE BLUFF, ARK.

(By Uriah Threet.)

Rev. C. A. Washington, state secretary of the True Aid Sons and Daughters of America, had the misfortune of losing his 13-year-ld snoon by being shot accidentlly at Scotts Sunday. The boy was very bright, being the leader of his school in all grades. The many friends of the Rev. who is also secretary of the Union District Association, will deplore his misfortune.

The musicale that was given at the Mt. Zion Baptist church, Altheimer, last Sunday night was a rare treat. A large and intelligent audience was present to witness the occasion. Prof. P. W. McCawley, foremost among our musicians, was present and presided at the organ in a masterly way.

The citizens of Altheimer are planning to have an excellent Thanksgiving exercise Thursday, Nov. 26th, with such great leaders as Prof. Turnley, Prof. W. H. Bledsoe and Mrs. Minnie Porter and others. Success is assured.

Mr. Ed. Joplin has been made commander of the U. R. of the Mosaic's. His commission was given him by Gen. Higgins.

Major Ray, age 51, died in Little Rock, Sunday. Mr. Ray was an old citizen of Pine Bluff, well known and highly respected, was once deputy circuit clerk and served as justice of the peace of Boggy township for a long time. He is survived by his mother, one daughter and his brother, Jas. Ray, who is in his 25th year as stock clerk for J. Dreyfus Co., wholesale dry goods.

J. S. Mallett, the Wash. avenue barber, goes to Baucam very often. The boys wonder what for.

Rev. A. S. Roan, pastor, Rev. J. W. Penney, S. S. and A. C. Varniado, clerk of the Jerusalem Baptist church, were treated to a soul stirring sermon by Rev. W. M. Hays, a masterful preacher. Subject, "The thief came to steal, kill and destroy, I am come that they might have life and have more abundancy."

Mr. Theo. Carsoda and Will Nelson were on a hunting trip from the free bridge to Varne and McGhee. All got back safe with no game, but report a good time.

Geo. Black has a sprained ankle this week.

Sam James has got matters square with Mr. Carsoda and they have buried the ax.

The Centenial Baptist church has been the drawing card for three weeks. Rev. O. Bryan, pastor, has been assisted by many good preachers, recovered many souls and baptized 13 Sunday. A great crowd was present.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., NEWS.

Last Sunday was go-to-church day. The A. M. E. Zion church was well attended morning and evening. The pastor, Rev. J. H. McMullen, preached at both services. Three persons joined the church in the evening. .. Mr. Wm. H. Green will open a news office about Dec. 1st, where you can get any information you want. The Freeman will be sold by Wm. H. Green, agent. .. Master Howard Lee, of 108 Garson avenue, won first prize in a 240-yard relay race at the Y. M. C. A. last week. .. A large crowd attended the benefit dance last Thursday night at St. George's hall. .. Mr. James Jarvis, chef at the Y. W. C. A. (white) was severely burned about the face with hot grease last Tuesday.

VALDOSTA, GA.

(By John A. Purdie.)

Special to the Freeman.

Mrs. May Young spent Sunday in Madison, Fla... Mr. F. V. Franklin has returned to the city from Almdo, Fla. .. Dr. O. E. Conne has returned to the city from Sparke, Ga. .. Miss Ruby Clark, of Waycross, Ga., was married Sunday at 10 o'clock to Mr. James Freeman at 161 Marian street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. H. Wilson of that place. The couple left on the 2:30 train for Valdosta, Ga., where they will be at home at 416 S. Combs street. .. The Freeman will be for sale by John A. Purdue every Saturday.

SELMA, ALA.

A Few Notes From the Central City.

(Dr. J. W. Moorer, Reporter.)

Special to the Freeman.

Politically we are quiet, spiritually we are alive.

The effect of the European war has caused quite a deal of despondency and it is causing our people to practice economy more than ever, especially in the family district.

The attendance of the different schools of the city has been very much affected on account of the low price of cotton, as it is the principal product available in this part of the state for money.

The students of Selma University have rendered some very excellent programs during the month of October. The teachers are very much encouraged with the work being done in all of the departments.

The Progressive Cultured Club, an organization of the leading ladies of the city, gave a Hallowe'en party at Payne University on the 30th ult. It was enjoyed very much by all.

Another item of much importance is the recent pharmaceutical examinations held at the state capitol on the 13th and 14th ult. There were 43 plicants, 40 whites and three colored. One of the applicants, a young man, Mr. A. C. Brown, who obtained his literary training in Selma University, graduated in the class of 1913 with honors. He continued his course in pharmacy and passed the state board with a creditable average.

LIMA, OHIO.

The Men's Finance Society met with Mr. Roy McGee of W. North street this week. There was a good attendance and excellent lunch served. Mr. McGee is one of our hustling young business men, being one of the managers of the Central grocery.

Prof. E. W. B. Curry preached at the Second Baptist church Sunday and delivered two excellent sermons. His son Burton accompanied him and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moxley.

Mrs. Laura Moxley is visiting her son, A. T. B. Moxley at Logansport, Ind.

Prof. Curry assisted in the rally at the Second Baptist church Sunday and was a success. They raised nearly $100.

The father of Mr. Arthur Baker is quite sick. Mr. Baker is one of our mail carriers.

SEKITAN, OHIO.

(By N. C. Hawkins.)

Rev. L. W. Flower is having success pastoring the First Baptist church.

Mr. S. H. Pillow will open a new business house.

Mr. N. C. Hawkins is having success as district B. Y. P. U. organizer.

Mr. J. W. Gaines has erected a magnificent concrete residence costing several hundred dollars.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morton are doing a neat business in their new restaurant.

The entertainment given at the town hall by George Woodson and Aaron Johnson was a success.

See N. C. Hawkins about The Freeman. Subscriptions taken. Order the Christmas number now. Do it today.

MERIDIAN, MISS., NEWS.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Mary Limes, of Electricville, Miss., was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Fannie Matey, of 17th avenue and 22d street. Mrs. J. T. Davis is still very ill and has been for some time, but we pray that she will be in good health again.

Mrs. Mattie Jones who has been visiting her brother, Mr. Louis Gillespie, of Giles, Miss., is at home again.

Sir Geo. Fuller, who is one of our smart young men, and also a successful farmer of Giles, Miss., spent a few days in the city. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Billie Ricks.

Mrs. Alice L. Gillespie, of 620 33d avenue, is preparing to be the guest of her mother, Mrs. Harriet McCaskrel, of Scooba, Miss.

When you want your old shoes to look and wear as new ones take them to the Cotton Shoe Shop, Mr. Ellis Cotton, proprietor. All work strictly guaranteed.

Mr. John W. Lee left today for Birmingham, Ala., on business.

Rev. L. S. Lee preached a heart searching sermon Sunday night at New Hope Baptist church, where he has been pastor for many years.

Miss Cealie Croom spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gillespie.

Union Baptist church Bible class meets every Thursday night. We want to see more of our young men and young women come out and take part in it for our old mothers and fathers who have been leaders in the church so long will soon quit the walks of man. So let us prepare ourselves to take their places. So we say as Christ said, "whosoever will let him come, let him come."

Mrs. Ellen Frazer, of Chicora, Miss., who has been the guest of Miss Pearl Brown, of Ninth street and 27th avenue, left today for her home.

We have nine different lodges of K. of P. in the city. Rose Hill No. 12 has the largest membership of them all. We are making ready to entertain the next Grand Lodge of this state which is to be held here on July 10, 1915.

Mr. Napolcon Mason, who is the son of Mr. Harry Mason, has been an employe of the B. M. & E. Feibelman cigar department for 19 years. He is preparing to have a nice trip on Thanksgiving day. He is one of our smart and business young men.

For your cleaning and pressing and also suits made to order, call on Crawford Bros., merchant tailors. They will treat you right.

Mr. F. D. Gizer, who is chief cook at the Phil Weidmann Cafe, speaks highly of the Freeman. He says he is a regular reader of it and has been for many years and is lonesome without it, and says every race man ought to read it.

Mr. Harry L. Wonders, the magician, at Meridian Institute, Meridian, Miss., Nov. 20, 1914. The entertainment has already been pronounced a success. There are only fifty seats remaining unsold at this time. The public saw Mr. Wonders last year at the Casino Theater and his production of Oriental magic is said to have equalled Ching Ling Foo's. He is also prescription clerk in Dr. Howard drug store. He is a business young man.

Dear readers, don't forget that The Freeman is on sale every Saturday afternoon at Dr. Howard drug store. For your pure drugs and prompt attention call at Dr. Howard drug store. They wait on you nicely.

Here is a list of our business men of the city who attended the Mississippi Negro State Fair at Jackson, Miss., last Wednesday: Dr. Harry L. Wonders, Dr. W. B. Block, Mr. James Cramer, Will English, Jno. Cunningham, Gregory Harris, Sir Jno. W. Harris, Will Turner, J. S. Beale and Will Harris. All reported having a fine time and the fair was a success.

STREATOR, ILL., NEWS.

Mrs. Minnie Wilford is again able to be about.

Cartor Sprols is very sick at his home.

Joe Martin has returned to his place at the Panama pool room.

Get the Freeman at J. H. Simmons, 611 East Main street.

Charlie Miller has gone into business in Spring Valley.

The Ladies Gleaning Club of the A. M. E. church, met at the home of Mrs. Mary Martin. They spent a few hours sewing, after which a fine three course luncheon was served. They will meet at the home of Mrs. Mamie Walker, 221 West Main next Friday afternoon at 2:30. President, Mrs. Mabel Dilnger; secretary, Mrs. Janie Hicks.

Homer Gardner's bunch played Longpoint, Ill., wedding.

SESSION OF 1915 SUNDAY SCHOOL CONGRESS AWARDED—BIRMINGHAM, ALA., DRAWS THE PRIZE.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 11.—Among the important items transacted at the National Baptist Publishing Board meeting yesterday was the awarding of the 1915 session of the Sunday School Congress to Birmingham, Ala., to be held June 9-14. Close and spirited was the contest between Memphis, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, New York City, and Birmingham. There were several meetings of the board with numerous conferences, together with telegraphic communications with some of the cities, before the officials could decide the winner. The result of Birmingham's victory at the conclusion of the meeting was announced by Rev. Henry A. Boyd, the Congress Secretary, who stated that Birmingham had won because she started in time, having allowed her invitation which was extended last year to go over for this year and be repeated for 1915. While the meeting was in session at Beaumont, Texas, last June the Ministers' Conference of Birmingham telegraphed an invitation and then backed it up by a similar one after the adjournment of the Texas meeting.

The meeting in 1915 will be the tenth annual session of this gathering of Sunday school workers and is expected to draw largely from all sections of the United States. The Beaumont meeting drew from twenty-eight states and had an attendance of about 2,500. It is understood that the Baptist Binisters' Conference of Birmingham, Rev. J. W. Goodgame, president and Rev. J. D. Kent, secretary, with the Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Association, of which Birmingham is a member, Rev. S. M. Hall, moderator and the Alabama Baptist State Convention Rev. J. H. Eason, president, have appointed a committee already to begin work. This committee, having met and organized is as follows: J. W. Godgame, S. M. Hall, T. W. Walker, W. L. Boyd, J. H. Kelly, Chairman, and J. D. Kent, Secretary.

The date of the 1915 Congress will be from Wednesday, June 9th to Monday, June 14th, inclusive. There are eight departments or sections of this Sunday School Movement, which represents twenty-five thousand Sunday schools and one million five hundred thousand scholars. The officers are Revs. R. H. Boyd, of Nashville, director; C. H. Clark, chairman, and Henry A. Boyd, secretary. In connection with the meeting this year it is announced that the boy cadets will hold their second annual encampment.

CARRIER MILLS, ILL.

Rev. J. H. Sides, presiding elder of the Cairo district of the A. M. E. conference, spent several days in this city the past week.

Bertha Taylor, of 8th grade class, is on the sick list.

Our school is progressing nicely under charge of Prof. S. P. Gardner. He has recently organized a class in vocal music for the adults which is doing fine.

Rev. John W. Taborn has been called to preach at Sandusky, Ill., on the 4th Sunday of November.

Prof. Smith, of the rural district school, reports his school in fine order. We think the Prof. is a fine jolly fellow.

We might add right here that Carrier Mills may be found by searching the map of Saline county, Illinois, and since we have stopped to think, it is a place worth looking for, as it is located in one of the best coal fields in Southern Illinois. It is also a fine farming country. Many of the best farms are owned by colored men, whose fathers settled here among the pioneers of the state. The town has about 4,000 inhabitants, two thriving banks, two nice public schools, eight churches, one steam railroad and a traction line, each of which is connected with the several coal mines which are in operation.

WANTED—A position as pharmacist by a reliable and an experienced man. Registered in Georgia and Tennessee. Will take share in stock if agreeable. Address A. P. Aitchsee, Fort Valley, Ga., Box 383.

SPECIAL TO THE FREEMAN.

Anyone knowing of James McNeal, of the California Picaninnie Show Co., please write Mrs. Della McNeal, their mother, 1417 Assembly street, Columbia, S. C. Will thank anyone. nov21

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

(By Nellie Early, 565 Sharp St.)

The Democratic mass meeting was held November 2 at the Company B hall and was well attended. Mr. Clarence Duncan was chairman of the meeting. Some able addresses were heard here. Among the speakers were Lawyer Hairgrove, Mr. Thompson, county judge, and Mr. Boruff. Excellent music was furnished by Mallory Brothers' orchestra. A treat of cigars was given to all men.

Mr. Charles Reed, of Jacksonville, Ill., was a visitor in Chicago a few days and was requested to entertain at Elmwood Club as trap drummer, and received hearty applause.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sharp accompanied by Mrs. Hansbrough, Master Clyde Jackson, motored in their Brewer car to Springfield, Ill., recently and were also accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Triplett and Dr. Chas. Triplett in their car. All report a delightful time. They were guests of Mrs. Rheinhardts Lee.

The Pleasant Hour Club met November 6, with Mrs. John Dunn, on South Prairie street. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. G. Young and Mrs. T. Robinson and Mrs. A. Coleman.

Mrs. Emma J. Caldwell, district Most Noble Governor of the Household of Ruth, was here recently in the interest of the Household of Ruth. She was from Chicago, Ill.

Rev. E. M. Harlis ably preached on the subject, "Of what shall we do with Jesus?" October 8 at the Christion church.

The members of the Christian church gave a very successful supper at the church recently for the benefit of the street church pavement.

William Swar who has been ill, is able to be about, also his brother Claude.

Mr. Charles Stewart who was recently injured by a street car, is improving in satisfactory manner.

STAGE NOTES.

Miss Gladys Wilson, our versatile performer, is in East Dubuque, Ia., and rehearsing a small troupe to traverse the northwest and western states soon. She tenders her regards to all friends.

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Little Seymour James, the well known singing, talking and dancing comedian, is in Indianapolis resting up. Will open in vaudeville, Monday, Nov. 16. Regards to J. C. Miles. I am stopping with your sister. Write some time care of Freeman. Freddie Pratt and Hattie Whittmore, hello also.

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Mr. H. S. Moss, representing the Historical Feature Film Company, of Chicago, was in the city last week on business.

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Hunter and Chappelle are at the Family theatre, Indianapolis, this week.

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Gordon and Dodson are at the Lyric theatre, Indianapolis, this week.

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Miss Minnie Hackless, of Baltimore, the comedienne, has gone to her country home for a rest. She stopped in Richmond for a few days and while there two nice spreads were given in her honor. One was given at the famous Cleaning and Pressing Club, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Walker and the other was at the fine home of Mr. and Mrs. Whitman on E. Clay street. After her rest Miss Hackless will be seen in a new musical act. Would like to hear from all friends.

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Nelson Littlejohn, the noted straight man will open at the Lyric theatre, Fort Atkinson, Ia., for a three nights stand, then he will play ten weeks on the I. and M. vaudeville circuit.

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J. Comique—"Goin' to get in the Freeman's big Christmas number?"

H. Tragle—"Suttinly, suttinly, my boy, it's the one opportunity of the year. Don't you know I neglects that Freeman the year around. But Christmas I just gets myself together and waits for Elwood C. to call. And he does."

J. Comique—"Yes, they get out a swell proposition old chappie, and I manages to find myself in it no matter how hard the times are."

H. Tragle—"To tell the truth, we do knock the old sheet now and then, but we just couldn't get along without it. Count on seeing my mug in it Christmas if money can find the way."

J. Comique.—"Ditto."

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Hi Jerry Barnes and Edith Nelson just closed a successful engagement at Queen Theatre, Chattanooga, and are now at the Rose Bud Theatre, New Orleans, doing nicely. Sends regards to all in and out of the profession.

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Crazy Patterson, producing comedian, is resting up in Altus, Okla. Regards to all friends. Hello Silas Green, Horace Harrison of the O'Brien minstrel show. Would like to hear from Elizabeth (Babe) Thomas. Hello A. H. Brown bunch. Friends wishing to hear from Patterson, write Altus, Okla, until the 20th then Oklahoma City.

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Lone Burt Murphy is a comic star of brilliant magnitude. It is a special favor to see Mr. Murphy in vaudeville, for he is now devoting his time to the pictures. He is a scream this week.

Butler May (String Beans) is an agreeable surprise. Devoted to the legitimate, he has turned his back on the low and unpleasant smut. Beans is going good in his eccentric work and is winning many friends this week. His partner, Miss Ella Goodloe, is a good helper and is sharing the applause of the crowds.

ROUTE.

Richard & Pringles Minstrels—Red Lodge, Mont., Nov. 16; Briger, 17; Big Timber, 18; Levingston, 19; Bozeman, 20; Townsend, 21.

Alabama Minstrels—E. L. Erickson. Washington, La., Nov. 16; Lafayette, 17; Crowley, 18.

Huntington's Minstrels—Bastrop, La., Nov. 18; Rayville, 19; White Castle, 22.

Dixie Serenaders—Great Falls, Mont., Nov. 21-23.

J. Leubrie Hill and the Dark Town Follies—Clarence W. Loan, Business Manager. Arch St. Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa., week of Nov. 16.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Adams, Theodora	Nay, C.
Austin, Buster	Nobles, Wiley
Arrant, Chas.	Nealey, Edward.
Bradly, Alto	Nealey, Rastus
Boone, J. C.	Pendergrass, J. C.
Brogsdale, Walter	Phillips, King
Bradford, Slim.	Price, Thomas.
Burrell, Wm. H.	Pugh, William
Campbelle, Edgar	Parker, Tommy
Crosby, James.	Peoples, A. A.
Cook, Will	Payton, Clifton.
Daniels, W. E.	Rastus (John H. Mason.)
Davis, Sam.	Ransom, James
Dumas, T. H.	Riley, George
Earle, Harry J.	Reids, W. M. H.
Edwards, Rae	Rollins, John P.
Forby, Clifford.	Sanford, Harry C.
Ferguson, B. F.	Smith, Lewis D.
Foster, C. A.	Smith, Rex
Fountroy, W. H.	Spikes, J. C.
Hughes, Frank.	Two Sweet Billy
Harris, Lewis	Triplett, T. D.
Hegamin, Wm. O.	Thomas, James
Invincible Four	Taylor, J. A. B.
Kirk, Frank	Thompson, T. A.
Lee, Walter	Victor, Anatole
Long, L. R.	Williams, care Savoy Shows
Love, Ed.	Wooldridge, Bobby
Masonas, John H.	Wright, J. W.
McPheeters, James	Weaver, Millard
Martin, Jerry	Webb, Jeff
Murdock, Cleancy.	Winn, Joe
May, W. M.	Williams, John H.
Miller, Robert.	
Nelson, Buddie.	
Nichols, Billy.	

Ladies' List.

Barrett, Edna	Lewis, Lillian.
Banks, Jessie.	Lane, Gussie
Butler, Mamie	Morin, Bessie
Chandler, Nette	McClure, Mamie.
Finley, Lulu.	Overton, Anna
Hamilton, Mrs. Katherine	Perkins, Georgia
Henley, Laura	Price, Ludell
Hulett, Lena	Smith, Miss Ada
Jackson, Ora	Smith Gussie
Jefferson, Zenobia.	Simmons, Frankie.
Luster, Victoria L.	Spikes, Miss Evelyn
Jordan, Mrs. E.	Simmons, Frankie
Jones, Reubenstein	Thompson, Lizzie
Jones, Miss Ola	Taylor, Ruby.
	Vassar, Callie
	Washington, Miss

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Ed F. Peat and company are in their second week at Dixie Theatre, Richmond, Va., going big nightly.

McDow and McDow are at the Dixie Theatre, Anniston, Ala., going big. McDow's musical bottles are a great hit.

Gordon and Gordon, Batts and Cora, at the Dreamland theatre, Tulsa, Okla. Batt is dancing, doing one hundred twelve steps, under Ed Lee's management.

Lew Kenner, formerly of the team of Kenner and Williams, paid the Freeman office a visit this week. He is with the Lincoln players at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, this week.

J. A. Buckner, the golden voice comedian, is in his third week at the Dixie Theatre, Anniston, Ala., still going big. Regards to Miller and Bigam, hello Rozetta Brannon and Howes & Howes.

Jasper Taylor, trap drummer, is featuring this week, Harry L. Alford's famous drum solo "Drumology," and is receiving heavy applause nightly at Booker Washington Theatre, St. Louis, Mo.

PLAYING CINCINNATI, O.

(By Arthur Porter.)

The printed promise of Miller and Brown creators of "Mr. Ragtime," that had been posted in every conspicuous place in this city that could be secured, was made good to a large audience of cynics, drawn on twice to the capacity of the house played. Much credit must be given this company, as it is hard to make good with a big show here. It is unnecessary to describe this show as it was well covered by this paper at the Crown, and Price and Porter cannot better. It was interesting sight on arrival of company to see the activity of the baggage hustler with the many trunks and assortment of scenery and Tom Gales, stage manager and his assistants tearing out house scenery and replacing that of Miller and Brown, that Mr. Ragtime might be made comfortable and ready to deliver with effect his bombardment of mirth and music. To be noticed, a fact, this is the strongest and brightest little musical comedy enroute. It has more comedy situations than any produced here, acknowledged. The comedian, Kid Brown, was careful and unique, never lost a laugh, a result that can be brought by an experienced student of comedy only. Mr. Miller, though his part is light, gets all there is out of it and exposing his ability as an actor-dancer appearing often and capturing applause and approval with every offering. Ethel James without a doubt is too strong for her part. Some one of less calibre would fit better and she be given space to "special out" for as soon as she took hold of her song with a chorus she "showed" so bright as a comedienne the character wast lost and she was confirmed the star of this show. Orena, her becoming sister and partner, "stood out" to advantage; Rosetta Branum showed tact as the porter's wife and sung the closing song "Carrie Carson" as a tango subject, with Mr. Miller; showed adeptness with swell costume and everything moving accurately till finale. They made a strong impression that should make its run successful. The Thornton Sisters Stock Co. did "Peter Gray" to a small audience at another theater, which went well at the five cent matinee. If the people knew this little company of beginners must depend on fifty per cent. of a nickel for existence they would turn out more. You should support these amateurs. They may be our next celebrities. George Shelton made initial opening as their comedian and is naturally funny. This school might turn out some good performers if they will get a good teacher. Davenport & Davenport returned with another riot. They got better, if that is possible. Georgia was not hoarse this time, and what it took put a song over it was with her. This act will remain here. Mr. Davenport will join Reed's Troubadours, who are one nighting the picture shows about town before taking the road. Prominent on the roster of this show is New York's sweetest tenors, Irvin Richardson and Walter Robinson and Casey Jones, the buck dancer, formerly of Jones & Price. Warfield & Warfield dropped in Monday and met the Ragtime Co. They whispered now Mr. Warfield will remain here until company leaves. Isola Ringold opened and proved she was an equal attraction or better than Ora Criswell. She does a clean face and gets as much. Alberta Perkins and partner, two pretty "portly Browns" equally matched in ability over making good. Great shows and no good acts laying off in Cincinati, O.

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MONTGOMERY AND McCLAIN, SUSIE SUTTON AND THE LINCOLN PLAYERS AT THE NEW CROWN GARDEN THEATRE.

Tim E. Owsley, Prop.

Montgomery & McClain, Crown Garden favorites, are among the attractions at that house this week. Dainty Florence "got her beginning" right here, and when the little lady showed up she got the hands. Frank was also remembered with hands in advance.

Montgomery & McClain have changed their act largely and for the better. Frank retains the polka stunt with his "According to Me," which is decidedly the hit of their act. Florence is a stunner when she comes out all fived up in splendid clothes, singing, "Too Late Now."

The act opens up by an announcement that the team would not appear owing to an unavoidable delay. In the meanwhile Montgomery is seen bursting down an aisle insisting that the announcement was wrong, and that the team was on the scene. They open up with a little character work, Florence as a sheriff, Frank as a porter. His monologue is good as well as his train call which all know so well.

McClain next takes her boy character, Percy, which she does so well. She is straight to her partner. Montgomery in his droll, straight tongued replies, is every bit a comedian. It may be no compliment to the pair to say that the work shows marked improvement, yet it is true.

Their song, "Breezes From Old Broadway," a song of running dialogue form, together with the prancing, was an unusual bright and cheery spot in the act.

They close with the "Virginia Essence" introduced by the song, "Good Old Alabama." Cleverness maintains to the end.

Susie Sutton.

Susie Sutton is best known for her characterization. This is shown in her impersonation of an Italian woman. Here she proves a real actress who would appear to advantage in dramatic and tragic roles. She has a splendid, voluminous voice, heard when introducing the case of the Italian woman in court. She runs the total gamut of feelings and with that artistic faithfulness that leaves no doubt of her class.

Her boy characterization was something new to the patrons, and she did the turn in good style. She sang "When Grown Up Ladies Act Like Babies," following her monologue. Miss Sutton's monologue is wholly new; it is full of happy hits. Her costumes are swell and appropriate. The work all through was nicely received.

The Lincoln Players.

The Lincoln Players are doing a school playlet, a farce comedy, and with success according to the applause. The audiences like the fun and the company knows how to turn it on. The company is made up of Lew Kenner and Miss Williams, Carrie Hall, Edna Barnes, George Taylor, and Clifford Ross.

DETROIT THEATRICALS.

Unique Theater, Week of Nov. 9th. (By the Mule.)

Taylor & Delk, a sister act, opened the show and was a riot. Kiki, a Portorician, doing a juggling act, fireeating also glass eating, a good novelty. Managers get this act.

Lewis & Lewis, comedy singers and dancers, went big. Oh how they can dance.

Now we meet the afterpiece produced by Mr. Lewis. It was a scream. The Unique Stock Company will remain indefinitely. Perry Bradford, the manager, would like to hear from all good acts at all times.

Notes.

The Blackstone Quartette is making a decided hit at the Columbia theatre this week.

Green & Pugh, Crystal theatre, Flint, Mich.

Arthur Allen Belles known as minor chord Allen, is a riot at the Vaudette. His partner, Morton, was also a riot last week. Well, too good performers can always do a good act.

Johnnie Reddick sends regards to old Kigie.

WILL PUT ON THE BIG SHOWS, CHANGING TWICE A WEEK—THE DOUGLASS THEATRE, MACON, GA.

Beginning Monday, Nov. 9th to 14th, The Douglass will put on the big shows, changing twice each week. Alonzo Moore, the world's greatest magician, is playing this house. Miss Gertrude Saunders is going big with her song, "I'm On My Way to Mandalay." Miss Saunders is indeed an attrictive young lady, a good dancer and a charming singer. Clayborn Jones, that funny comedian, will continue to entertain the Douglass patronage with his large and varied collection of up to date gags, jokes, conundrums, funny saying, most of them which he uses with great success. He is singing "Take a Little Tip from Father." Berringer & Berringer have just closed a three weeks' engagement here. Mr. Berringer is brimful of witty allusions and an infallible laugh maker. Watts & Willis have just completed a three weeks' contract at this house. Madame Willis, as a singer, is unexcelled in this country or abroad. In keeping with the past record of good pictures, the management is still securing the best that money can obtain.

Chicago Weekly Review

By Sylvester Russell.

CONSOLIDATED CIRCUIT BREAK NOT ADVISABLE—GRAND THEATRE NOT IN THE DUDLEY CIRCUIT—OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES.

Rumors of a break in Klein's Consolidated time, which have been running rampant, is not to be taken seriously nor looked upon as anything more than a great disadvantage to actors. The majority of actors have nearly all explained that S. H. Dudley's method of cutting prices in favor of his own connivance, and in favor of rich managers, has been looked upon as a detriment to the advancement of actors financially and otherwise. The managers who have withdrawn from the Consolidated and announced that they are going to book independent, will find in the near end that they are very much at sea in the new effort for more reasons than necessary to explain. In an interview with Martin Klein, I am told that the circuit is not broken up, but he is rather preparing to make it stronger. He states that some of the jumps on the Dudley circuit are distracting and owing to the raise in railroad fares, the actors will have a hard time to pull through at Dudley salaries, which are lower than he pays. The breaking up of circuits is not advisable; it will tend to disconcert the actors and they will become unreliable as in olden days, or, the working of cheap acts, haphazardly and rotten, will kill the patronage of all the independent theatres. The published list of the S. H. Dudley circuit which includes the Grand theatre of Chicago, is a misrepresentation. The Grand is not in the Dudley circuit. Tom Brown, who is now a producer at the Grand, is handling several big time acts of his own on the commission system, the same as Dudley is doing as manager of his circuit. As I have stated before, Dudley does not represent corporate power or proprietorship. He is simply an agent who gets his rebate out of the sweat of actors' brows. In an interveiw with Tom Brown, who is honest and reliable, he states that his alliance with S. H. Dudley is that he places his acts in certain Dudley houses that are large enough to pay his price and places the same acts on big time circuits and at the Grand theatre. The cancelling of contracted acts in circuit houses for outside comedy shows or local stock, for a manager's own convenience, is not justifiable nor favorable to his house. It gives performers a grave suspicion of such a manager's unreliability. It is not fair nor a successful policy; it is only momentary and the booking managers of circuits should not tolerate any of it from the local managers and the only course to properly and successfully pursue would be to write comedy shows or stock shows over the circuit in the regular way. The poor actors in these days cannot stand those kind of illegitimate cancellations and Manager Klein has been doing the best he can to book good actors over his circuit under the circumstances. There can be no color question considered where some of the managers are white and some are colored, and I regret that both Indianapolis and Nashville have pulled out of the Consolidated circuit.

the Grand—Kussell & Co. Make a Hit.

There was lots of room on the stage when little Kid Jines and his wife, Lila Hill, came forth to consume atmosphere. Jines has a loud rich voice and he is a good comedian, but I must whip him. He forgot to do his new tight pants eccentric comedy which recently made him great at the Monograms. Miss Hill was a little shy, but pretty to look upon. Of the white acts Kussell & Co. gave "Footing the Bills," a modern comedy sketch, which showed the conceit of the average lazy vain handsome American boys who soldier on the toil and affections of weak, industrious girls. So the goodlooking Irish youth and the very talented actress made a hit. Others on the bill were Flying Lafayettes, who were good aerialists; Pearl & Roth, in sarcastic comedy, and Blake's comedy circus, with a bucking mule. The last half of last week had Dodson & Gordon, who remained popular all the week. Susie Sutton, character specialties, was a star attraction, especially in her Italian scene. Montgomery & McClain played a return in their fine scenic specialty and scored heavily. The white acts were Harry & Mac Mathews, good globe rollers and Willard's temple of music, a decided novelty in illuminated decorated musical instruments hard to operate. The colored shooting star pictures with Montgomery McClain, Murphy and Gaines proved to be exceptionally good. Tom Brown's palyers come next week and Talbert & Chappelle come Thursday.

Murdo's English Terriers at the New Monogram.

It was worth the price of admission alone to see Murdo's terriers perform and it was by far the best dog show ever seen at this house. Jones & Morton in society dances, were classy indeed, and Edna Morton was a dream. She is late of the Darktown Follies company. Others on the bill were minstrel stars by reputation. Johnson & Johnson played a return and Billy Ward who still retains his good singing voice, reminded us of days gone by. George Reeves, the trap drummer, who has been in Henry B. Miller's employ for seven years, was absent Monday evening. It is understood that Miller, who has formerly indulged Reeves, who is the best colored drummer in America, recently gave him an unfair deal. In an interview, Mr. Miller promised to reinstate Reeves at an early date, pending.

Tyler & Girwood at the Monogram—Jack Ginger Wiggins Scores.

Honolulu was well represented when Rosa Lee Tyler and Charles Girwood returned to the city in songs and string instrumental specialties. The madam was at her best in the Enchantress, and her trills and high notes were as good as ever. Wiggins, the dancer, just created a riot, that's all, in his wrench single. Pamplin, the heavyweight juggler, dressed as Mephostopheles, gave thrilling pleasure, and Lelia Mitchell's Raglanders were pretty good as a whole. George Smith, the trap drummer, who was recently discharged, is again employed at this theatre, having protested for his job back on the grounds that he is a tenant in one of Miller's flats. Mr. Miller did not discharge the new drummer, who took Smith's job, but discharged his oldest one, and in so doing was wrong and made enemies out of the two drummers.

At the Picture Houses.

The most important offering at the picture houses was "Lola" at the States; "A Slice of Life" at the Atlas; "A Society Detective" and Broncho pictures at the Phoenix; "Battles of the British" at the Star, and "The Butterfly" at the Washington. The Lincoln and Fountain continue on the even tenor of their way.

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Stage Notes and Stroll News.

Fred Lawrence Bradford has arrived from the South, where he made balloon ascensions, having finished his season.

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Godfrey & Patterson have booked for six weeks on the Consolidated time, which will include the Booker T. theatre, St. Louis, Memphis, Louisville, Cincinnati and Detroit.

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W. H. Thomas, former partner of Billy Caldwell, has arrived from West Baden Springs where he spent eight weeks and picked up 40 pounds. He is to return in about a week.

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Leo V. English, the cornetist, has returned from Key West, Fla., where he went to bury his father, N. F. English, who died at his home, Oct. 5th.

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Tom Cross and Tom Lemonier are being handled in their new act by Claude Doyle. They have been signed on the Marcus Loew Western vaudeville circuit for several weeks in Chicago before going west.

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Kid Thomas and Margaret Ward, now appearing at the Grand, have taken a ten room flat at 3148 Wabash avenue. Mrs. Thomas will retire from the stage and Kid Thomas it is said will double up with Lone Bert Murphy.

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Miss Clara Singleton, of Indianapolis, Ind., has been visiting a few days in the city.

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Tribble & Smith were at the Academy of Music last week. They are to open at Clinton, Iowa, on the western vaudeville association.

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P. G. Lowery is reported to be improving at his home in Columbus, Ohio. Junk Edwards has arrived in the city.

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Davis & Walker are on the Pantages time. They opened at Spokane, Wash., last week. Eddie Harris is now pianist and singer at the La Verdo.

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Sam Evans, the modern ventriloquist, who is on the Gus Sun circuit, played the Virginia last week. It is understood that he is to sign with the western vaudeville association.

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The Washington letter and Short Flights of R. W. Thompson are much sought after by Freeman readers, and it will be a flattering tribute to the management to maintain such a writer as a preference on the front page of the greatest national newspaper of the colored American people.

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The New York News I see has been improperly informed concerning the Monogram theatres of Chicago and should have been better informed concerning the deplorable condition in the South in their recent article, "Morals of the Stage." The News is late. I have long since informed the public properly on the above subject, which was taken action upon in Chicago and elsewhere. I am told that New York needs the crusade worse than Chicago. The report in the News that Mr. Miller produces obscene vaudeville is a falsehood. I broke it all up some time ago. Even String Beans is now legitimate in his act when he comes to Chicago. The immoral acts that came to Chicago came from the South over the Dudley circuit. S. H. Dudley, actors say, is in favor of smutty acts as a business proposition. Over one year ago when I accosted Henry B. Miller about smutty acts, he declared that our people like them. Dudley & Owsley, who were at that time a part of the Dudley-Owsley and Klein circuit, supported Mr. Miller against my criticism, and rebellion against suggestive acts, and I was barred from the Monogram theatres until the people rebelled at Thirty-fifth street and the authorities stepped in and threatened Miller's license. After that time, he and Manager Klein began to side with me in condemning lewd features. It is always up to the highly respectable people to rebel against vice by forcing the issue. Clean critics like myself are always grossly insulted by guilty ignorance or arrogance. If colored actors were intelligent enough as a majority they would not indulge in smut even for the sake of a job and managers who have to watch actors all the time, would have less trouble if they would refuse to book smutty acts or cancel them at once. People need amusement and theatres would be just as full. In speaking of preference among actors it is only those who are legitimately equipped and talented that need consideration and most of the work.

JAMES MARSHALL AND WIFE

And Others Form a Stock Company—Will Be Known as The Butler Stock Company — "Aunt Peggy's Birthday" the First Play.

(By D. Wellington Berry.)

Special to the Freeman.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 10.—A stock company has been formed here consisting of a number of players who came here to play at the New Lincoln Theatre. Among the players are James Marshall and wife, Ora Criswell Marshall, Doe Doe Green, Anna Holt, Nettie Edwards, Adele Johnson, Gus E. Butler and Eloise Johnson. The company takes the name of the "Butler Stock Company" and this week entered upon what would seem to be a most successful run of comedies and vaudeville at the local house for a number of weeks to come. The announcement is made that a complete change is to be presented each Monday and Thursday.

"Aunt Peggy's Birthday" is the title of the bill played the first half of the week with Ora Marshall, nee Criswell, as Aunt Peggy, and Doe Doe Green as Uncle Simuel, her husband. These two furnish most of the fun and have made a great hit with the Nashville theatre-goers. Eloise Johnson, after these, is, perhaps the best of all others in the cast. Although Gus Butler is a favorite as are all of the others who perform well their several parts. The opportunities of the first three named, however, give them much advantage over the rest of the cast in this particular play. James Marshall has made a great hit here with his fancy soft shoe dancing and Nettie Edwards and Anna Holt "made good" in vaudeville at the Lincoln before the stock company was organized as also did Adele Johnson.

Ora Marshall and Eloise Johnson do a specialty entitled "Circus Day" that is one howl and scream after each other and the after-piece "Holiday in Darktown" affords another chance for Ora Marshall and Doe Doe Green to make the house go wild with a series of family troubles and in which are also seen James Marshall, Nettie Edwards, Anna Holt and Gus E. Butler.

The New Lincoln was recently opened here and was formerly the Majestic. Nearly $15,000 have been spent on improvements and it is now one of the finest theatres catering to colored patrons exclusively in the south.

The building is still owned by Mr. A. N. Johnson, a local colored business man, but is leased for ten years to a wealthy white merchant who has a local reputation of being friendly to colored people. The name of the lesee is William Hartman. The manager is also white, a Mr. James W. Kean, who has been associated with Mr. Hartman as his general manager for many years. He, too, has the reputation of being a great friend to colored people.

Mr. Hartman was the first man also to venture a pretentious moving picture house here for colored people, spending several thousand dollars for decorations alone. The two houses employ numerous colored persons and seems to be much appreciated by the Nashville citizens, who have been deprived of the pleasure of seeing good colored actors to any appreciable extent and of witnessing performances in up-to-date theatres without having to sit in undesirable sections and climbing back stairs.

J. G. MILES WRITES FROM ALABAMA MINSTRELS NO. 2—GARY VANDERBILT, MGR.

The show is now in its seventh week, having opened at St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 14th. I, J. C. Miles and wife, joined at Paragould, Ark., Oct. 27th, just a few days after the closing of our circus season. I arrived here to find everything running smooth and find no more than I expected, of course, as Mr. Vanderbilt is known to be a proficient manager, and is liked by all who work for him. I must also speak well for the show, too, having been staged by Mr. Billie Freeman, which is receiving much credit from management, as well as the public. So is the band, although only twelve strong, under the direction of Prof. Frank Moland. Band and orchestra leader. Roster of band as follows: Prof. Frank Moland, leader and cornet; J. C. Miles, cornet; Arthur Cox and John O'Brien, clarinets; Earnest Montague and Harry McCloudy, trombones; Russell Jackson, baritone; Robt. Cade, tuba; Willie Brown and Eddie Frye, altos; Andrew Evans, snare drum and Harry Anderson, bass drum. In the minstrel first part we find Mr. E. H. Robbins and Harry Anderson holding extreme ends, backed up by Eddie Lemons, J. W. Johnson, Billie Freeman, Chas. Berry, Mrs. Hattie Cox, Mrs. Marie Robbins, Mrs. Irene McCloudy and Mrs. Elizabeth Miles. These artists with the aid of Prof. Moland's nine piece orchestra is putting over a show that is without any doubt above the ordinary as a tented one nighter. The entire company sends their best regards to all friends both in and out of the profession. J. C. Miles wishes to extend special regards to Freddie Pratt, Seymour James and the entire bunch of the Florida Blossoms Co. Address all Alabama Minstrels No. 2, care Billboard.

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EUGENE CLARK'S FUTURE.

Mr. Elwood C. Knox.

Dear Sir—According to promise I write to you as I wish to state I am now home resting up for a few days after a successful season with Robinson's Famous Shows and I have a great deal up my sleeves which I will make known in a few days, which I hold next season's contract with the above shows. This menu was our farewell dinner as there never was such dinner served under a tenting organization before as the entire show white and colored gave Mr. Bert Bowers credit and wished him a success in coming season of 1915. I remain, yours respectfully, Eugene Clark, 608 South Ninth Street, Louisville, Ky.

READ THIS FROM SHREVEPORT, LA.

Beware of Shaw and his wife, managers of the airdome, as they will beat you out of your salary. He beat us out of three weeks' salary and the whole bunch, and then turned the show over to a white man by the name of Wilson, who said we would get all our money. When it come draw night Wilson could not be found. We went to find him and he gave us checks. We went to the bank to get our money and they said he had no money there. Then we all refused to work there. A negro by the name of Orin Thornton, who runs a grocery store, said we would get our money. Then we got it again. just as we got it from Wilson. If he deals in the show business and Mr. Shaw much longer the negroes will not deal with him. After all of this Shaw borrowed $17 from a man by the name of Mooney. The results were Mr. Mooney blackened Shaw's eye and put the show on the bum and now it is a near beer joint. This is a warning to our good people in the profession. Beware.—Pessis and White.

MACON, GA.

Notes From the Pastime Minstrel.

(By E. D. Carlhard.)

The Pastime Minstrel, of which Mr. C. J. Creushaw is manager, passed through here today with good news, saying that they have been playing to S. R. O. for four successful weeks, because they have the goods for satisfaction. Cast: Miss Mattie Williams throws them into a riot when she sings "Million Dollar Doll" and "You Made Me Love You." Miss Rebecca Simpson sets 'em wild with the "Devil's Ball" and Mr. Elbert (Sour Kraut) Hobson, with the insane feet, ain't late at all. Miss Laura Jordan makes the hit in the game singing "Peg o' My Heart." Miss Carrie Veal cleans up with "Baby Seal Blues." Then comes Mr. Mausy Williams (Kid Slum) the fun factory of laughter. Mr. Billie Mitchell, stage manager and producer, knows what to do when he faces the people with his slow monologue and keeps them going with the "Memphis Blues." But you just ought to see the position he gets in to buzz. We have a good B. & O. Mr. John Ellis makes a hit on both stage and kitchen. Some class to him.

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One must be above or below criticism to be exempt.

The Freeman undoubtedly owes much of its enviable popularity to the clever writing of R. W. Thompson, Washington, D. C. Mr. Thompson is very modest about his journalistic ability, claiming his efforts along this line as a side issue only. That he is able to make this "side issue" so comprehensive, interesting and enlightening classes Mr. Thompson a journalist of the first magnitude and causes one to speculate upon what would be the result if it were possible for this brilliant "scribe" to devote all his time to his writings. Mr. Thompson is a very busy man, no social function, political confab, religious conference or educational assembly is quite complete without his presence. He is also a married man, therefore necessarily a bread-winner. Yet he is able to extricate himself from these multifarious obligations long enough to edit the following columns: "News of the National Capital," "Short Flights," and "The Passing Show." The theatrical profession owes Mr. Thompson a debt of gratitude for his generous appreciation of its work. Like Portia, of "Merchant of Venice" fame, he believes that "the quality of mercy is not strained" and tempers all his writing of the profession with this blessed ingredient. Mr. Thompson once said that he did not feel quite competent to assume the dignity and obligation of a full-fledged critic, and was quite content to leave that honorable position to our mutual friend, Sylvester Russell. Be that as it may, we performers feel that when some omission, oversight, delinquency or short-comings upon our parts elicits a mild rebuke from the pen of R. W. Tee, said omission, oversight, delinquincy or short-coming was blankety blank rotten.

When one becomes too proficient to listen to suggestions for one's improvement, retrogression is an inevitable consequence.

The Merry Twelve Club, of Marlin, Texas, entertained the Smart Set Company with a delightful banquet at the Masonic Hall of that city. The executives of the club are Jno. Moore, president; Percy Ford, treasurer, and H. E. Jackson, secretary.

Flattery is the Judas that betrays us to conceit, and transforms us into a likeness of the quadruped with the enlongated ears and voluminous bray.

Word reaches us that one Rufus G. Byars, the ubiquitous manager of the Howard Theatre, Washington, D. C., has taken unto himself a wife. The source from which the news eminates forces us to accept it as authentic. There are many things that we feel certain that Mr. Byars has neglected to tell Mrs. Byars, things that any woman who has sworn to "honor and obey, until death do us part" should know about the man who has pledged himself to pay her board forever and aye. Knowing Mr. Byars as we do, we feel it our duty to enlighten Mrs. Byars regarding some of the secret operations and maneuvers in which said Mr. Byars engaged previous to the tying of the nuptial knot. We are certain that Mr. Byars will place a strict censorship upon these movements and that it is left for us to turn on the searchlight of truth. If in the process of discharging our duty we give added impetus to the overworked machinery of the divorce courts which grind out separations and alimony, we can only say that ours is the greater pain and regret. I herewith solemnly swear and call one Andrew Thomas to witness that said and aforementioned Mr. Byars did upon occasion remain out all night, engaged in the trifling occupation of card-playing, and that upon said and aforementioned occasion we did beat said Mr. Byars and one Andrew Thomas thirteen straight games of whist, and as a result said Mr. Byars was compelled to expend vast sums of money for soda water, cigars and sandwiches. The money thus prodigally spent if it had been wisely horded would now suffice to buy a pork chop, a cold bottle or a hair net, things indispensable to the proper maintainence of cunubial felicity. I am also compelled to state that while in San Antonio, Texas, said Mr. Byars so conducted himself as to win the admiration and esteem of all who knew him, and should Mrs. Byars ever have occasion to visit Mr. Byars' home town she will be surfeited with hospitality.

Ingratitude is the unpardoned sin that so often severs the golden chain of friendship.

No profession is quite so well represented among the colored people of the South as the medical profession. Everywhere the doctors are doing a wonderful work towards eliminating disease and encouraging and educating their people in the art of clean and sane living. For the most part they are men of superior intelligence, high morals and unimpeachable integrity. Foremost among these is Doctor Chas. Wickham, of Haskell, Okla. Doctor Wickham is more than a physician; he is a humanitarian and a race man. He stands for progression in its highest sense and is indefatigable in his efforts to secure for his people the freedom to live and enjoy to the fullest measure their inalienable rights. Doctor Wickham has organized an insurance company to operate in Muskogee, Okla. The company will be incorporated about the first of January. Doctor Wickham enjoys the full confidence of all who know him.

We were all more or less entertained by the little game of repartee and bouquet flinging indulged in through the columns of the Freeman by our Hoosier friends, Harry Fiddler, of Fiddler & Shelton, and Edward Tolliver, of Tolliver & Chappelle. Both are worthy and respected members of an honorable profession, and represent the highest and best in their respective lines. We are glad that the harmless little game did not develop into a vituperative, acrimonious, mud-slinging contest. Now that it is over we are impelled to ask the same question we ask of the European war, "What was or what is it all about?" Hello, Harry and Ed.

We note with regret the increasing frequency with which performers with a grouch, or grudge, or an axe to grind, launch through the columns of the Freeman, a tirade of invective against some managers by whom they have been employed and with whom they have some real or imaginary grievance. Without entering into the ethics of any of these cases, we would say that there is not much to be gained for the performer and very little damage done the manager by the "knocking" process. A minute scrutiny of performers' contracts will convince the most partisan that the contract is all in favor of the manager and so far as the real interests of the performer is concerned, may just as well be filed in the waste basket. The performer is asked to accept a half week's salary for the week preceding Xmas and also for holy week, for the reason that these weeks are the most poorly attended of the year. Yet the manager does not state that the weeks following these two events are the best of the year, neither does he ask the performer to share his profits for these two abundant weeks. Some managers are notoriously unscrupulous and some performers disgustingly unreliable. The law of self-preservation influences the business methods of most managers. If in the pursuit of this first law of nature, it becomes necessary and incumbent for a manager to hand a performer a "package," few hesitate to do so and there are not many seared consciences from so doing. Most of the managers with whom we have come into contact, North and South, white and colored, treat the performers as fairly and squarely as the performers in turn treat them. A "knock" from a performer without a reputation for honesty, sobriety and reliability does not carry much weight and is generally ignored.

STAGE NOTES.

Leon, the magician, is in the state of South Carolina; doing well.

Jines & Hill, after a successful engagement at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, are at the Grand Theatre, Chicago, this week.

Epps & Loretta are now in their fifth week at Nilson Circuit. Week of October 26, 27, 28, Arcade, Scranton, Pa.; last half, 29, 30 and 31, at Academy, N. J.

Lillard and Lillard are at the Beaver theater, West Toronto, Ont., Nov. 16, for three days, and at the opera house at Peterboro, Ont., Nov. 19. Best wishes to all.

"Homeless Hogan" (Gerald Hamilton), character single, is still working. This week with Chas. Hightower's Players, Cordele, Ga.. Geo. Freeman and Lew Kenner, why don't you write? write?

The Ella B. Moore Musical Comedy Company opened at the Pastime Theatre, Paris, Texas, and turned them away. The company is all well. Funny Sidney Rollins joined the company in Greenville and doing fine.

Mr. C. A. Holloway is now visiting with his wife in South Carolina, after having finished a pleasant season with the Barnum & Bailey's Greatest Show on Earth. He is located at 1041 Kennedy street, Anderson, S. C.

Thomas A. Brooks and Froliques of 1914 are at the Folly Theatre, Detroit, with Columbus, Ohio, to follow. Thomas is making good leading the buck-dance number, assisted by the twenty chorus girls in this number. Mr. Brooks gets in some clever dancing.

Harris and Butler, after having a successful run on the Gus Sim time, running three weeks longer than booked for, are now spending a couple of weeks in Detroit. Mr. Harris is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Freeman. They will open on the Orpheum time, week of the 30th. You can pass it down the line kind of quiet that Lincoln is a grandpappa now.

Rufus Haywood, the oldest of the well-known Haywood brothers, died last week in Philadelphia and was taken to Raleigh, N. C., by his two brothers, George and John, for burial. His many friends regret to hear of his death, and extend much sympathy to all his relatives.

John Berry and Telfair Washington, LaBelle Marie and that Colored Gentleman, the act beautiful, after closing their engagement of three successful weeks at the Dreamland Theatre, San Antonio, Texas, open Monday, November 9th at the Palace Theatre, Houston, Texas, for a return engagement.

Leola & Little Willie Edwards closed with Alabama Minstrels October 1st and are now in vaudeville; just closed a three-weeks' engagement at the Star Theatre, Dallas, Tex. Opened at Lincoln Theatre, Galveston, November 2. The team will now be known as Edwards & Edwards. Regards to Alabama bunch.

THE "PIRATE" THE VAUDEVILLE BOOG-A-BOO.

(By Clay Price, Porter Press Bureau.)

In conversation with Tom Cross, a prominent member of the C. V. B. A. we were asked why it is the western writer's don't touch on the theatrical vandal, the actor who steals or imitates the work of others, commonly known as the "pirates" and on thinking it over, I found that I myself, have been a "pirate" as an actor, for nineteen years, as I have never produced an original idea, never taking the chance to open with a new stunt without first selecting some celebrity who had done the character and apeing his make-up, dialect, expression, etc., because his stuff was tried before the public and underguise of revision and slight variance in wardrobe I would open with confidence as I was fortified with "sure fire," but I was born an imitator and the ability required to be a nactor and by working out of their latitude and having many to draw from I never collided or lost a delivery. But I can see the wrong I was doing the originator, if he was the real author, by not getting his consent. I am against the pirate now. What must I do? Overhaul myself as far back as I can think or get to by data, all my new-born ideas have been done in one form or other. The dead have done the field—did it well, result headache. Farewell to original idea, to go deeper. Conditions favor the piracy managers will not respect copyrights. It is hardly possible that if a manager can not get the original act he must get the pirate if he is good. Competition compels this; then the colored actor is limited, variety, hardly possible, and his audience must be blamed here. They are so treacherous that if an act will attempt something out of the ordinary, with real merit, it does so at the risk of its reputation which may be destroyed any minute by the cruel hiss. The negro who will appreciate, is in the minority as a theatre-goer and our acts don't play the churches. The negro audience wants to laugh and becomes restless on a meritous effort. This condition is death to variety—the meaning of vaudeville, so managers take down your signs —it is meaningless unless you apply it to the actor's face. I wish to be understood. I am not defending the pirate though I am a confessed one. We simply want to show how powerless in this limited effort, we are to prevent it. You are taking a chance with a new idea, the actor adnd manager also, so you will have to revise, repeat, reconstruct, imitate and that is piracy. In the scuffle of unorganized actors, disagreeing and throat-cutting, managers and booking agents without a system, an unmethodical colored show world, slippery, fickle government laws on copyrights. The white actor without these unsavory conditions can not prevent piracy. Honor, ability, pride and self-respect alone can alleviate all.

NEW YORK'S THEATRICAL NEWS.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Lubri Hill and Darktown Follies are at the Grand opera house, New York, this week.

The Lafayette Theatre, 7th avenue and 132d street, continues with good vaudeville and photo plays. Mr. Lester Walton, the enterprising manager is always on the alert for something new for the patrons.

Wilbur C. Sweatman, week of Nov. 9th at Keith's Theatre, Lowell, Mass.

All acts coming to New York would bear in mind that Miss Lulu Fields, the pianist, rehearses acts and shows and take pianist position if not too far away from New York. Miss Lulu Fields, 1431 Broadway, N. Y.

At Wood's Cafe, 132 and 5th Ave., New York, the cabaret show has some entertainers who are certainly pleasing the patrons.

At the Astoria Cafe, 2275 7th Ave., Mr. Murray manager, Cora Green and Tony Donavan and other entertainers are scoring a success at the Astoria.

Leroy's Cafe, 135th street and 5th Ave., New York, is still the center of attraction in Harlem for the cabaret shows. Mr. Schaffer manager, welcomes all visitors when in the city.

At Harry Payton's Cafe, 2238 5th Ave., New York, Harlem's popular cabaret, first-class artists are engaged in pleasing the patrons nightly with the song hits.

The Crescent Cafe, manager Griffin, has the artists. Florence Emory, Bertha Wheeler and Ethel Brown, who are pleasing the patrons with the latest popular hits.

Lillian Rose and Florence Emory are the artist singers at the Dunbar Hotel, 129 W. 53d street. Joseph Boyd manager. Harry Stout, extra attraction with the violin.

Billy E. Jones is scoring a big success with the song hits, "When the World's at Peace," and "In the Hills of Kentucky."

Grundy and Lazzo are now working on United time and meeting with success.

Regards to Frank Montgomery and the dainty. Frank, I would like to hear from you.—Billy E. Jones, 228 Prince street, Brooklyn.

Miss Aline Cassells scored a success at Dudley's new theatre, Newark, N. J., recently. Rumor has it that Miss Cassells will marry a prominent business man of New York.

Manager Dudley announces that the opening of the Odeon Theater, at Newark, N. J., was one of the most gratifying successes of his entire stage career. This house bids fair to be one of the banner points on the Dudley circuit.

Darling Mack will present the Moon Follies, December 25, at the Palace Casino, N. Y. Rehearsing now going on and it is said it will be one of the greatest events of the season.

Thomas and Saparo will go on Loen's circuit after finishing Poli's circuit next week.

James Hall, the dancer, now located in Newark, N. J., at 67 Howard street, before going out on his vaudeville tour.

GLOBE THEATRE, OKMULGEE, OKLA.

Miss Roxie Caldwell and company, known as "The Jolly Four," all girls, opened Monday, Nov. 2, for two weeks and they have set the theatregoers wild. Miss Georgia White, singing and dancing soubrette, is some clever and her singing and dancing has won her way. She is neat and classy. Miss Ruth Wilson, the dainty little soubrette of the team of Caldwell-Wilson, is kicking 'em hard nightly while her partner Roxie is setting a pace for all black comedienes. She is really funny. Miss Edna Coleman, another clever singing soubrette, is holding her own. She and Miss White do the straights while Roxie Caldwell more than takes care of the comedy. The girls are clever in their lines and they put on some very clever acts. Ed. L. "Dad" Howard is manager of the house and he says that he is very well pleased with "The Jolly Four" and he wears a smile nightly when he checks up in the box office.

GIBSON'S NEW STANDARD THEATRE, PHILADELPHIA.

The hit of the bill this week was made by that master comedian, S. H. Dudley, accompanied by his mule. He needs no comment. The audience was kept in convulsions as the various funny situations were presented. A team whose act went with some speed was that of Cheers & Jones. This couple have a happy way that makes everyone willing to sit back and believe all the jokes and impossible situations that are introduced. The Robinson Trio were on the bill and had good songs to offer with some lively dancing. More singing by Richardson & Towers, Cramer & Christian, entrancing dances. Miss Christian has advanced in her act with twinkling toes to fascinate the beholder and with artistic creations at all times to charm the eye. The Three Ver Valians ended the show in their cyclone musical comedy. They breathe the spirit of beautiful fantasy and are radiant with color and stirring melody. The music pervades the senses and arouses the emotions. There is a pleasing uniformity about the qualities of the melody which illuminates the act. There is girlish spontaneity in everything that Miss Ver Valian done, and her presence would be sufficient to raise even a mediocre role to a dizzy height. The introduction of "When You're a Long Way From Home," and "Natalia," by Mr. Charles Taylor, leader of orchestra, was very much enjoyed.

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE S. H. DUDLEY CIRCUIT—WEEK OF NOV. 9, 1914.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theatre, Lew W. Henry manager: Martin & Motley Stock Co. American Theatre, Thomas & Dudley, man agers: Davis & Walton, Brown & Pinkey, Stewart Bros. Howard Theatre, Andrew J. Thomas, manager: Langster Bros., Aline Cassels, Odar and his dogs, Tim & Hester Moore. Chelsea Theatre, D. Gentry, manager: Ricks & Talbert. Foraker Theatre, George Tucker manager: Davis & Greer.

Cambridge, Md.—Green's opera house, Zel Bledseaux, manager: White & Jordan.

Richmond, Va.—Hippodrome Theatre, W. J. Coulter, manager: Noisy Four, Spencer Finley.

Roanoke, Va.—(Hugh Turner, Massengale & Crosby), Boston Theatre. C. L. Andrews, manager.

Danville, Va.—Columbia Theatre, W. A. Donlevy, manager: Nit & Tuck.

Lynchburg, Va.—Ford's Theatre, R. F. Johnson, manager: Green & Carroll, Anita Wilkins.

Wilson, N. C.—Globe Theatre, H. B. Davis, manager—The Warfields.

Charlotte, N. C.—Gay Theatre, K. D. Schiltz, manager: Watts & Willis, Collins & Barrett, Hillman & Saunders.

Baltimore, Md.—Lincoln Theatre, Benj. Flake, manager: Walker & Johnson.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Standard Theatre, John T. Gibson, manager. Crosby & Neeley, Thomas Melton; other acts.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Lincoln Theatre, Tom Delaney, manager: Jones & Ross, Tom Delaney Stock Co.

Detroit, Mich.—Vaudette Theatre, C. L. Dudley, manager. Pellelon & Brown, Kelly & Davis.

Columbus, Ohio—Crown Winter Garden, Billy Smith, manager. Abyssinian Trio.

Cincinnati, O.—Lincoln Theatre, Marion Brooks, manager: Morton & Wilson.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Crown Garden Theatre, Tim E. Ownsley, manager. Susie Sutton, Montgomery & McClain.

Louisville, Ky.—Ruby Theatre, Wilhoit & Collier, manager: Jones & Gray, Williams & Lawson.

Wilmington, Del.—Hopkins' Theatre, John Hopkins, manager: Glenn & Brogsdale, Jones & Liston.

NOTES FROM THE INTERNATIONAL MINSTREL SHOW.

(By W. W. Whitmore.)

We are still in the state of Louisiana and the show has forty people, all doing well.

Mr. Jack C. West is with us, and he is still as funny as ever and working a trio with Whitmore & Whitmore, and the act is going fine. They will be seen in vaudeville soon. Whitmore at the present time is holding contract to stage the minstrel show.

Mr. Lee Phillips and Nellie Roll are some scream with their musical act. Mr. Phillips is singing "He's a Devil in His Own Home Town."

Strawberry and Strawberry joined us in Orange, Texas. He sure has some educated feet and is some comedian piano player. Mr. Bun Gibson is stage director now and he is some stage director; sure is putting on some shows. Mr. Lewis Grimes is making hits nightly singing "Oh, What a Time," and sure is some dancer. Mr. Birks Campbell is still on the show and sure is some interlocutor. Miss Josephine Orthor is making hits nightly singing "My Man" and "I Wonder Where My Easy Rider's Gone," and is screaming them. Mrs. Maggie Harrison is still making hits with "That's Why I'm Crying for You" with a wardrobe.

Little Hattie Whitmore is screaming them nightly with "Ball the Jack" and says, Seymour James and Sallie Jones, please write us at Lake Charles, La. W. W. Whitmore sends regards to all in and out of profession and say Emmitt Burger, write, Lake Charles, La. We have a new car now, 80 feet long with nine staterooms. Our manager, Mr. A. H. Brown, is not only white in the face; he also has a white heart. He always sends the ghost around every week. A party in the show wishes to know if Francis Wilson, known as "Charles" or "Kite," formerly with "McCabe's Troubadours," is dead.

NOTES FROM MARSHALL'S HAPPY DAYS IN DIXIELAND COMPANY.

We are still in Mississippi making good. The company are all well and happy. Mr. Harry Parker, our wooden shoe dancer, is kicking them nightly. Our show is up-to-date and pleasing immense crowds everywhere. Billy J. Arnte would like to hear from Miss Gracie Arnte on business.

NOTES FROM THE GEORGIA TROUBADOURS.

We are still in Kansas, doing nicely, as usual. We will open the new colored theatre here this week, commencing Thursday, playing three days. This is the only colored theatre in Hutchinson and bids fair to be a success. We are sorry to state that Mr. Reed Comer, our tenor, closed here Sunday the 1st without telling one of the bunch. We are all well and send regards to all in and out of the profession.

DALLAS, TEX., STAGE NOTES.

The following is the roster of the Russell & Owens Co., which is packing the Park theatre nightly and pleasing people who had never attended a high class performance, by the premier of comedy before: Misses Irvil Elmore, Mae Wilson, Josephine Russett, Aug. Smith (Gloomy Gus), Dave Schaffer and wife, Gray & Dunlap, Taylor & Taylor, Bob Russell and Billy Wens and their own orchestra of three people as follows that handles classic music that pleases: Miss Lottie Frost, pianist, Ward (Dope) Andrews, trombonist; Abe Rochon, trap drummer. Miss Murriel Ringgold, special attraction.

NINE GAMES FOR THE NEXT WORLD SERIES.

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PHILADELPHIA, Pa. Nov. 8.—Nine games instead of seven to decide the world's championship and a considerable reduction in the scale of prices to the games had been decided upon by the American League. The plan will be presented to the National League magnates at their annual meeting in New York next month for ratification, and it is almost certain it will meet with the same unanimous support that was given by the American League in Chicago last week.

The world's series changes took up much time at Chicago. One or two of the magnates were in favor of lengthening the series to eleven games, but it was thought that this would be too long; that the strain on the players would be too great to permit of them showing their best form in so many games, and that the interest of the public would wane. Nine games, the winner to be the club taking the first five instead of four, as is now the case, was the popular plan, and when the discussion ended it was found that the plan met with unanimous support.

WOLGAST QUITS; CAN'T COME BACK—FREDDIE WELSH RETAINS CHAMPIONSHIP

NEW YORK.—Ad Wolgast may retire permanently from the ring. Discouraged over the brittleness of his bones, the erstwhile lightweight champion spent the following day after his go with Freddie Welsh receiving condolence of friends at the sorry ending of the fight, and announced finally that he would remain in New York for a few days under the care of a surgeon.

Spectators at the battle who had seen Wolgast in action in his palmier days expressed the belief that he was losing his eye, and that the added weight of the last few years had slowed him up.

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CURLEY SAILS FOR LONDON.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—Sailing on the American line steamer St. Louis yesterday, Jack Curley, who is promoting the proposed fight between Jack Johnson and Jess Willard, expects to get Johnson's signature to the articles of agreement, in London. Curley will meet Johnson there. He expects Johnson to ask $30,000 and 50 per cent. of the picture privileges. Curley said he was willing to meet this figure, and that several places had already put in bids for the fight.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Would like to know the address of John Mathealy or George Bathealy. Have not heard from him for twenty years. Last heard of was in Cincinnati, Ohio. Anyone knowing of his whereabouts will kindly write to William Ring, Care Merchants' Hotel, Dubuque, Iowa.

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I am a tailor by trade. I am a cutter also, and now working at my trade. Would like to meet a lady with means, for companion and business partner. Yours for an answer. Address J. H. Powell, Gen. Delivery, Dubuque, Iowa.

NEW LODGE IS ORGANIZED AT GADSDEN, ALA.

Prof. George A. Robinson, grand counsellor of the United Loyal Neighbors of the World, on Monday, Nov. 2, succeeded in organizing a camp, to be known as Gadsden Camp No. 63, composed of the best citizens of the city. The following officers were elected: James Cobb, N. C.; William Young, V. C.; James Hews, P. C.; Robert Evans, chaplain; John H. Creed, camp clerk; Oscar H. Rush, treasurer; Neil Mitchell, warden; William Freeman, watchman; Lovett Martin, camp picket; W. Clark King, organist; trustees, J. H. Creed, F. C. McBrown and Oscar Bush.

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THE RECORD OF SAILOR BURTON—NEW ORLEANS NOW THE FIGHT MECCA.

(By Billy Lewis.)

Sailor Burton, pug., is an entirely new one to me, and I think to most persons. A note came to the Freeman the other day calling attention to the very interesting personage. I say interesting advisedly. When his record is spread out it will be seen that Sailor Burton has had a very unusual career. I take it that he is colored, since he puts himself in touch with this paper.

As much as is given of the young man I regret that I can not give more of his life. All that is known biographically of him beyond his fight record is, that he weighs 118 pounds, and that he is or was on the U. S. S. Arkansas, enlisting in the U. S. Navy October 24, 1912.

His record will show that Burton was something of a scrapper before entering the navy. Following is a list of his battles before and after his enlistment:

	Decision.	Rds.	
1912.			
March 14—Eddie McLaughlin	Won	6	Broadway A. C.....Philadelphia
March 21—Young Ahren	Stopped	2	Broadway A. C......Philadelphia
June 6—K. O. Flynn	Won	6	Broadway A. C......Philadelphia
July 2—John Henry Johnson	Won	6	Standard Theatre...Philadelphia
Sept. 13—K. O. Thornton	K. O.	6	Broadway A. C......Philadelphia
Sept. 20—K. O. Thornton	Draw	6	Broadway A. C......Philadelphia
Sept. 27—Johnny Harris	K. O.	6	Broadway A. C......Philadelphia
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1913.			
Jan. 14—Sailor Grant	Exhibition	3	Ark's happy hour..........Cuba
Jan. 17—Ground Hog	Exhibition	3	Ark's happy hour..........Cuba
Jan. 24—Terry O'Neil	Exhibition	3	Ark's happy hour..........Cuba
Jan. 27—Cobuns	He quit	4	Ark's happy hour..........Cuba
Feb. 1—Sparrow	Exhibition	4	Ark's happy hour..........Cuba
Feb. 8—Old Berry	Exhibition	4	Ark's happy hour..........Cuba
July 1—Sailor Grant	Exhibition	4	Ark's happy hour.....New York
Aug. 11—Sailor Grant	Exhibition	4	Ark's happy hour......Newport
Aug. 21—Sailor Sheehan	Won	6	Smoker..........New Port, R. I.
Oct. 6—Willie Brown	Exhibition	6	En route to Naples, Italy.
Dec. 2—Willie Brown	Exhibition	6	En route to New York City.
1914.			
March 25—Geo. Boston	Won	10	Sharkey A. C.....New York City
April 17—Willie Brown	Exhibition	4	En route to Tampico, Mexico.
May 1—Sailor Howard	Exhibition	4	Ark's Happy Hour....Vera Cruz
May 5—Battling Hicks	Exhibition	4	Ark's Happy Hour....Vera Cruz
May 8—Sailor Mott	Won	4	Ark's Happy Hour....Vera Cruz
May 30—Sailor Shuster	Won	7	Virginia smoker .....Vera Cruz
June 27—Sailor Grant	Draw	6	Ark's happy hour.....Vera Cruz
July 12—Mott	Won	6	Ark's happy hour.....Vera Cruz
July 18—Sailor Brooks	Lost	6	Louisiana smoker.....Vera Cruz
August 5—Willie Brown	Won	6	Ark's smoker..........Vera Cruz

The boxing game went to pieces in California on election day. The box or not to box was the question before the electorate of that state. The boxing business, like the liquor business, goes down in the contest. This is because it is not difficult to line up strong opposition in a struggle. Not that the majority is dead set against those things. The majority is more times artificial, made so by the effective argument possible. The individuals are made to see the vaster possibility of harm than by abstinence in either case. Downright harm has followed the struggle in the ring and from the use of liquor, but this harm has been but the incidents in the affairs of men. There is no immediate real helpfulness, excepting, perhaps, medicinal, and which is doubtful, that follows the use of liquor, while whatever harm follows the use of liquor stands out very glaringly. This gives having positive harm to show as resulting, while liquor has not a single self-made advocate. Liquor has the majority all of the time. More people indulge than those that do not—even in a small way. But when the test comes these tipplers become so many Judas Iscariots, or saying, "Get behind me; I never knew thee," or something like that. Liquor has the most friends, but they are no good at the necessity. Here is only an exposition and not advocacy. It arises out of the subject being discussed. One can readily extract from the foregoing why prohibition does not prohibit even when prohibiting. Only a few are intensely in earnest or against liquor in spite of the capable majorities in time of need. These reservists are for liquor and against it at the same time. At the voting they are against it, and for the reasons given.

Much of what is said of liquor can be said of boxing. The close majority in California proved that the people were nearly equally divided, even in the vote. Let alone, without undue influence, boxing in a way would flourish in most communities. But the opponents of the game have the whip hand. They can always point to some tangible harm that has followed, at some time, some where. The advocates of the game must work very hard to show why it should exist. And yet limited bouts that give exhibition of courage and strength is in accord with the masculine nature and in the interest of manhood—the preservation of the country.

We have little to do at fainting over a little blood when the world abroad is bathing in it. America is not particularly free from the dangers of war. If not today, then tomorrow, or next day, Mr. Patrick Henry; "the next gale that sweeps from the east," and the rest of it. In other words, we are not exempt from war. It is not always up to us just what we shall do. In face of what is going on every bit of the fight ability in us should be encouraged.

Twenty rounds is rather long, giving rise to the thought of brutality. Ten rounds is also long. If the bouts could be limited to six rounds no community should object. Some localities have such rules, others permit ten rounds.

New Orleans is the fight mecca, at this time, owing to the recent laws governing the game. Twenty rounds are permitted, having in view a finished fight.

The North Side Club of that city is coming in for considerable distinction. It recently had Jack Hannibal, of Indianapolis to meet Kid Palmer. Now it is after One Round Bess, also of Indianapolis. It seems particularly interested in Indianapolis talent, and why not? Everybody is.

Here follows some of the big and little chat of the boys who are scheduled or bouts at the club referred to:

MEXICAN KID—I am glad of this opportunity so I can show my New Orleans friends how I have improved since I left here. While the bout is scheduled for 20 rounds I hope the fans won't be dissatisfied if it ends earlier as I feel that my Memphis friend will have to take the count.

YOUNG ROUX—Since my arrival in this city I have heard much talk how the Mexican intends to put me to sleep. Talk is cheap and I hope that the friendship for the Mexican will not cause any of his followers to feel sore if I put Gen. Villa's protege to sleep.

KID GREEN—I have longed to get a crack at this fellow Kid Polo, and now that I have the chance I shall make him look like a crab. Polo always found an excuse to get out a match with me but now that he has got into it, I hope and trust nothing will happen to give him an excuse to crawl out.

KID POLO—This Kid Green, I understand, is doing a lot of talking about what he intends doing next Friday. Well, all I have to say to friends, I am the "one best bet" of the evening sport. If I couldn't get a decision over this fellow Green I would uit the game.

Some Facts of Boxers.

By Young George Dixon

Let us talk about the little Jewish battler of Chicago, whom I as well as others regard as the greatest 133 pounder in the world. This he has proven and I doubt if there is a lightweight in the world who can scale 133 at the ring and give this clever Chicagoan an argument. Little over two years ago this gentleman, whose name is Charley White, was hardly regarded as a serious contender. Although nobody was knocking him out, he was shaded time and again until of late he developed the great left hook and surprised himself by knocking out Joe Thomas some time ago. And down in New Orleans, after his great showing against this Thomas party, whom at the time being was a great favorite in the French market metropolis, where he had defeated some of the best in the 126 to 133 pound division. They could see nothing other than a return match between this pair, because all believed this victory a fluke. They succeeded in closing the second match and if what I learn is a fact Mr. White could not see the left hook as a knockout wallop, but to a grand little surprise he again whipped the New Orleans product, and convinced the public that he was the better boxer. After that he found little trouble getting matches with the best then, and he later defeated Kid Julian, Kid Kansas, Pal Moore, Jimmy Duffy of Lockport, and Owen Moran in nine rounds at Syracuse, N. Y. This same White party was defeated by Jack Britton, whom I learn weighed in the neighborhood of 137½ pounds, while Charley White only scaled 129, th e great weight handicap enabling him to outlast the weird Charley White and the latter was beat in 18 rounds. But since this same Charley White, whose real name is Charley Anchowitz, and a native of Liverpool, England, and about 24 years of age, has defeated some of the best 133 pounders in the country. Among them were such marvels as Ad Wolgast, Harry Donohue, Johnny Griffith and among them was Willie Ritchie, who at the time being was one of the most sensational ring idols and lightweight champions of the world. In this gory ten round battle only the no decision law in Wisconsin stood between Charley White and the lightweight championship. This battle was without a doubt the most sensational ring battle in history, being of such short distance ten rounds, a pugilistic surprise, but since this surprise I doubt seriously if Mr. White can spring another. He will no doubt surprise many should he fail to beat Freddie Welsh of Wales, and lightweight champion, whom he is now matched to meet before Thoms Andrew Auditorium Club in Milwaukee. It is said that Charley White and Willie Ritchie boxed to $41,000 house the evening in which Nate Lewis's star actor acknowledged such huge lot of encores, and if Pompadour Charley is returned winner over Welsh there will likely be a match made between Messrs. Nate Lewis & Co. and Tom Jones the winner to meet Danny Morgan for the championship of heart breakers in demanding all the money that can possibly be paid for short watches. Already Nate Lewis is hammering away heavily at the promoters for White's services. I learn from a Philadelphia matchmaker that the Messrs. Nate Lewis & Co. have just wired a term and of two thousand dollars guarantee win, lose or draw for six rounds before the New Million dollar Olympia A. A., of which Harry D. Edwards is president. Well, White is well worth that amount. He would pack any house in the country providing they find a fit opponent for him and I doubt seriously if they have a ligitimate 133 pounder in Philadelphia that would show well against this clever left hooker of Chicago, White. Mr. and Mrs. White in Chicago's north side residence district, on Broadway, is highly regarded in society. Mr. White trying out his new car just run into the four corners of State and Dearborn streets. I hope Charley won't continue this. I am afraid Ike Bernstein may find something to do. Let us hope Ike don't see this.

WHAT'S DOING IN SPORT.

NEWCASTLE, Pa.—Battling Terry scored his twenty-third knockout November 2, when he put Johnny Gill, of York, Pa., away in the sixth round, at the Farrell A. C., of Sharon, Pa.

MILWAUKEE.—Richie Mitchell, local featherweight, is matched with Knockout Mars, of Cincinnati, at Columbus, O., for Thanksgiving day. Mitchell also was offered a match with Matt Brock, of Cleveland, for the first week of December at Denver.

DENVER, Nov. 4.—Jack Dillon, of Indianapolis, and Dick Gilbert, of Denver, light heavyweight, have been matched for twenty rounds before the Colorado Athletic Club, November 24.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark.—President Gaffney of the Boston National League base ball club is conducting negotiations here for training quarters for the 1915 spring season. The Boston Americans and Pittsburgh Nationals already have permanent quarters here.

John T. Mitchell, one of the foremost authorities on whist in the United States, died at a hospital in Chicago, Nov. 8, aged 70. Mr. Mitchell had served as president of the American Whist League. He was the first American to compile a volume on duplicate whist.

CLEVELAND.—Johnny Kilbane, the featherweight champion, has been matched to box Joe Mandot, New Orleans lightweight, twelve rounds at Akron, O., the night of December 6, at 133 pounds, ringside. Articles were signed here. Mandot will be the first high class lightweight Kilbane will tackle in his invasion of that division.

PIITTSBURG, Pa.—John Foley, ex-amateur heavyweight champion of western Pennsylvania, and Al. Grayber, the local champion, fought six rounds before the McKee's Rocks Club November 2, which went to the latter by several points. Grayber is cleverer than Foley, and got away from his heavy swings.

SAN JOSE, Cal.—Jack Sheridan, dean of the umpiring staff of the American League, died here November 3 from a sudden attack of heart failure following a three weeks' illness. He was sixty-two years old and had been an umpire thirty years.

His illness followed a sunstroke suffered in the course of a game in August.

NEW ORLEANS, La.—After it became known that the anti-prize fight measure had been passed in California a contract was let here for the erection of a fight arena that is expected to seat at least 10,000 persons. Louisiana now is said to be the only state in which twenty-round boxing contests may be legally staged.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Nov. 6.—Larry Williams, of Shamokin, completely outclassed Jack Taylor, the negro heavyweight, of Philadelphia, in a six-round bout in Fourney's arena last night. The fight was fast and furious. Taylor was the aggressor in the early rounds, but Williams came up strongly in the finals.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—A bushel and a half of money was collected by the Red Cross for the benefit of the sufferers in the European war, between the halves of the Harvard-Princeton football game Saturday. The count, which was not completed until Monday, showed a total of $3,883, including one twenty-dollar bill and 2,350 pennies.

Regulated boxing, under supervision of a city commission appointed by Mayor Baker, was announced in Cleveland, O., Nov. 8. The commission, composed of prominent citizens and city officials, already has been appointed and will immediately investigate boxing, as conducted in other cities. It will report back to the mayor, who announces he hopes to conduct boxing as a clean sport.

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PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Battling Levinsky, of New York, and Frank Mantell, of Pawtucket, fought twelve rounds to a draw the evening of November 5 in the main bout before the Rhode Island A. C. in Thornton. The bout was slow and uninteresting, the men indulging in little punching and frequently clinching. Each round was a duplication, and the spectators were relieved when the fight was ended. It was the poorest bout ever staged at this club.

Milburn Saylor, the local lightweight sensation, will meet Joe Mandot, the "boy," in a twelve-round contest before the Atlas Athletic Club in Boston Tuesday night, November 17. Manager Ray Bronson closed arrangements for the bout with Matchmaker Miah Murray late last night. The articles, which will be forwarded to Bronson immediately, call for 133 pounds at 3 o'clock the afternoon of the bout.

NEW YORK.—Mike Gibbons of St. Paul easily defeated "Young Mike" Donovan of this city in a ten-round match at Madison Square Garden on Monday night, the referee stopping the contest in the sixth round to prevent a knockout.

Donovan was unable to make any impression on the western boxer, who displayed his usual cleverness. Gibbons scored two knockdowns in the fifth round. One went for a count of nine and the other was interrupted by the bell at the eighth count. A right hood to the top of the head in the sixth sent Donovan down again, whereupon the referee stopped the bout. Gibbons weighed around 154 pounds and Donovan about 156.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Nov. 6.—Jack Curley, en route to New York to sail Saturday on the steamship St. Louis for London, passed through Lexington yesterday. His mission abroad is to sign up the articles between Jack Johnson and Jess Willard for the heavyweight boxing championship of the world. Curley said he would post a forfeit of $10,000 to guarantee the appearance of Willard, and will require Johnson to post a forfeit. The terms for Johnson are $30,000 and 50 per cent. of the motion picture receipts. Curley said the mill would come off in Juarez, Mexico; Buenos Aires, Havana or at some point in Australia next spring.

FREDDIE WELSH IS HELD TO DRAW BY WHITE.

Big Bout Is Fiercely Fought All the Way—White Stages Whirlwind Finish and Has Champion Bleeding Profusely.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 9.—Fredde iWelsh of Wales, lightweight champion of the world, was held to a draw in a fiercely fought ten-round contest here tonight. Under the law a referee's decision could not be given, but it was the opinion of the newspaper experts that Charley White evened up honors by his whirlwind finish.

White opened a wound over the champion's left eye and Welsh, partially blinded by a thin stream of blood, was forced to back away in the tenth and cover up to escape White's terrible rights and lefts to head.

Welsh Far Over Weight.

When they weighed at 3 o'clock the champion stripped at 141 and White, in fighting garb, weighed 135.

The first round was lively, but ineffective. White deserved a shade in the second and third rounds, landing a number of blows on Welsh and striving to put over his "left hook," credited with being his knockout punch. White landed a good uppercut in the third and put right and left to the body, but followed by missing with three left hooks.

Welsh began to fight like a champion in the fourth, backing White into a corner and giving him a good lacing, and in the fifth Welsh took another big lead, whaling White all around the ring and taking little punishment in return. The Chicago boy showed better in the sixth. Welsh jarred White with lefts and took the round by a shade.

White Gets to Going.

White came back strong in the seventh, and, after taking two hard ones, shook up Welsh with a right hander. White missed with two uppercuts and took two rights in the ribs, but was not discouraged and hooked Welsh in the head. The round was about even.

Welsh deserved the eighth by a shade, though both boys missed many times. Welsh landed three lefts to the head as the round ended.

Champion Backs Away.

White outfought Welsh in the ninth. They traded punches at the bell, and, after a hard rally in the center of the ring, the Chicago boy made the champion back away. White drove Welsh into a corner and laced him with stinging rights and lefts to the body. White landed two rights on Welshs jaw as the round ended.

White rushed the fight in the tenth, again driving Welsh into a corner, where he landed five times without a return. White opened a cut over Welshs eye and peppered him with rights and lefts to the head. Welsh swung wildly with blood trickling into his eye. He went into a clinch and as they broke White put two lefts to Welsh's head and a right to his jaw. The last two rounds were White's all the way. White left the ring without a mark, while Welsh was bleeding profusely.

THE CLUB PROMOTERS.

Sporting Editor of the Illustrated Freeman:

Dear Sir—Will you kindly give me space on your sporting page in behalf of the club promoters of Philadelphia? I am a fighter and a good, clever boxer. My fighting name is Young Sam Langford, who hales from Memphis, Tenn. I came here to get work in the ring. I went to a boxing club here not long ago and they had an all-white show and it was the rottenest contest I ever witnessed. There were five bouts and was supposed to go six rounds. But not a single one went six rounds except the wind-up, and everyone quit in the first or second round, and one was stopped by the police in the third round. I write this as a result. Why don't the Eastern promoters give the colored boys a chance like those of Memphis and New Orleans and other places so they could give the public a run for their money? If there had been one colored scrap it would have given satisfaction, because it is a cinch a colored boy scraps every second he is in the ring. I am a good boxer, can scrap, too. I made an offer to a club manager to box anyone he could secure from 116 to 133 pounds, just to make a showing, and I am just a legitimate featherweight, barely making 121 pounds. But all the club managers of Philadelphia hate to give a colored boy a chance. I trained Mickey Brown for Neel McCue and it were some white boys around to see the work at J. H. Johnson's gym, and ever since they seem to be afraid of me and they don't like my game. Even the club promoters are yellow. I heard several whispers around saying "he sure does hit hard and is as clever as any I ever saw. He hits just like the old Sam Langford himself." So I was told a guy informed a friend of mine that I was down at J. H. Johnson's gym; Young Sam Langford, of Memphis, Tenn. Gee whiz, he is some fighter, believe me. I saw him hook and jab Mickey some telling wallops, sending him clear across the room. I wouldn't have him to hit me on my jaw for nothing. So I give warning to all the colored fighters of the West, and, boys, please obey me; keep away from Philadelphia, because the white fighters are yellow and the club promoters are just as bad. So take heed and keep away.

Yours in sports,
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A YOUNG JAP FIGHTS FOR A PLACE ON THE HARVARD FOOTBALL TEAM.

BOSTON, Nov. 3.—Fighting with his 119 pounds of weight and his muscles of steel against other husky young men for a place on the Harvard freshman football team is Taio Murai, a native of Japan, who is determined to excel in the American college game if it costs him many hours of work and possible injuries.

Murai, who appears every afternoon on Soldiers' field for practice, is the first Japanese who has ever tried for a football position at Harvard, for, as a rule, the members of his race are not heavy enough to compete with big, burly Americans who try for the eleven select positions on the team.

This year's Harvard freshman squad is composed of the largest men who have appeared as candidates for ten years. Nearly every one of the eighty who are working to get positions on the line or in the back field weighs more than one hundred and sixty pounds, yet the little Japanese is shy of even the 120-pound mark. He knows he is fighting against odds, but he grins and still manages to keep his place on one of the second elevens.

Beside Tom Enwright, the Exeter football star, Murai looks like a pigmy. He stands only five feet two inches in hight. Taio Murai has passed the college physical test with flying colors in spite of his diminutive size; even though he did not approach the figures that Tack Hardwick registered a week ago when he regained his position as the Harvard strong man.

Murai is striving for a position as end. There are fifteen other candidates for the end positions besides himself, so his task is no small one. He romps out on the Soldiers' field gridiron every afternoon with the rest of the bulky candidates, however, and he always holds his own. He entered Harvard this year from the Lawrenceville school, Lawrenceville, N. J.

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP GO AT JUAREZ, MEXICO.

Johnson Will Fight Jess Willard, Jack to Get the Old $30,000 Win, Lose or Draw.

The next battle for the world's heavyweight championship will take place within the gates of the race track at Juarez, Mexico. The principals will be Jack Johnson, the Negro who holds the title, and Jess Willard, the Kansas cowboy, who for a long time has been considered the best of the "white hopes." The date has not been set but the bout will take place within the next three months.

The contest will be staged by a syndicate of New York sporting men, who have guaranteed Johnson the $30,000 which he demands, win, lose or draw. Willard also will be guaranteed a certain amount, but just what he will receive has not been made public. This definite information was brought to Chicago yesterday by a New Yorker who is financially interested in the match.

The principal members of the New York syndicate are Harry Frazee, a theatrical promoter; James Butler, owner of the Empire City race track of Yonkers, N. Y., and the Laurel race track, of Laurel, Md.; Jack Curley, former manager of George Hackenschmidt, the Russian wrestler, and Harry Pollok, manager of Freddie Welsh, world's lightweight champion.

FISTIC DOPE FROM NEW ORLEANS.

At the Northside club, Mexican Kid outclassed Young Roux, who, after the first round of boxing, seemed ready to do the flop, but changed his mind and stayed until the fifth session, when he took the count.

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Kid Green, young Negro bantam, who has recently beaten all the Northside favorites, beat Kid Polo so badly in eight rounds that Buddy Griffen stopped the bout. Green is one of the cleverest colored boxers that ever laced a glove on at the Northside, and he bids fair to rise to greater heights in the fistic world. Polo scored a knockdown in the fifth round, but he registered that before two rounds had passed, for Green hustled along and had him in a bad way when Griffen called a halt.

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CITY AND VICINITY.

LOCAL.

Mr. Joe Brown, of St. Paul, Minn., was in the city last week as guest of his mother. When in St. Paul, Mr. Brown is engaged in the liquor business.

Special meeting of The Woman's Council at Flanner House Monday, Nov. 6th, at 3:30 p. m. All members are urged to be present. Business of importance.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Shelton are again in the city and stopping at the home of his brother in California street. They will leave soon for their home in New York.

Mrs. Hannah Thomas wishes to announce that she has been legally divorced from Wm. Thomas and has had her maiden name restored, formerly Miss Hannah Jackson.

Mr. C. C. Goines, of Springfield, Ill., passed through the city Tuesday en route to Columbus, Ohio, stopping over at Xenia, Ohio and expects to be in Columbus for the winter.

dresser, has gone to Marion, Ind., where she will spend a few days with her relatives and friends. Miss Evans won the first prize at the K. of P. hall Hallowe'en for being the most unique dressed lady. Her costume representing the various attracted much attention.

The Dandelion Embrodery Club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Ayres in Wheeler street. A very interesting paper was read by Mrs. Everett Cottman on "Ways and Means." Guest will be observed next Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Sallie Bottoms in Camp street.

The financial campaign for the purpose of buying property for the Sisters of Charity State Hospital was continued until Thursday evening of this week. A total of $1,333.48 was reported at the last meeting. The campaign is under the direction of W. A. Rersey. Jacob Porter is the treasurer of the fund.

A large crowd attended the reception given at the home of Mrs. J. T. V. Hill by the Thurman W. C. T. U. last Friday evening in honor of the Frances Harper and the Phpllis Wheatley W. C. T. U.'s Addresses were made by Mrs. Fred Darley of this city and by Mrs. D. E. Skelton, of Cincinnati, O. Mrs. Ella Henderson and Miss Ruth Sissle gave musical selections.

Mr. Albert Farley, formerly of this city, but now of Washington, D. C., has returned to his home after having visited here for several days. He spent his time with his son Harry, his daughter and other relatives and friends. He was active in the affairs of Bethel church when he was a resident. During a visit there he met many of his old acquaintances and coworkers. He responded to an invitation to address the audience.

"An Evening with Negro Composers" will be given at Simpson Chapel Nov. 28 under the auspices of the music section of the Womans's Council. The entertainment will be for the benefit of the Lincoln. Among those who will take part in the program are Noble Sissle, Russell Smith, Frank Brown, Mrs. James Wilson, Mrs. Lena K. Porter, Mrs. Daisy Bradham, Mrs. Ella Brice, Miss Pearl Barnes and Miss Marion Shelton. Miss Clara Kirk and Mrs. Kate Stewart will be the accompanists.

SPIRITUALIST CHURCH.

Madam Meadows, at her Spiritualist church last Monday night, explained the 10th chapter of Corinthians in such a way that all present could tell others of spiritual return. She makes everybody welcome at her meetings. Last Monday she gave 80 messages from the passed out. She is just wonderful.

PUBLISHER OF THE FREEMAN WEDS.

The marriage of George L. Knox, owner and publisher of the Freeman, and Mrs. Margaret Nickens took place last Thursday evening at the home of the Rev. P. T. Gorham, who read the wedding ceremony.

MADAME C. J. WALKER ANNOUNCES INDIANAPOLIS AS PERMANENT HOME FOR HER BUSINESS.

Mme. C. J. Walker wishes to announce to the public that she will not remove her residence to New York for at least eighteen months, and she wishes further to announce that her business will remain in Indianapolis for all time to come.

ST. PHILIPS P. E. CHURCH, CORNER OF WEST AND WALNUT STS.

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On Sunday, November 15, the services at St. Philips will be as follows:

7:30—Holy communion.

11:30—Holy communion, litany and sermon.

3:00—Sunday school.

8:00—Special service at which time the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. J. M. Francis, D. D., will be with us.

It is the Bishop's earnest desire and special request that all the members be present.

We hope that his desire and request will be heeded by all.

ST. PAUL TEMPLE A. M. A. CHURCH.

The first quarterly meeting of St. Paul Temple, A. M. E. church, November 15. Rev. J. L. Craven, presiding elder of the Indianapolis district, will be present and conduct the services.

The meeting will be in charge in the afternoon of Wayman Chapel, 17th and Yandes streets.

Dr. Clarke, pastor of Allen Chapel A. M. E. church, will preach the sacramental sermon at 3 p. m.

The services, morning and evening, will be held at the parsonage of the above named hcurch.

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Pastor in Charge.

AN EVENING WITH NEGRO COMPOSERS AT SIMPSON CHAPEL, FRIDAY, NOV. 20, 1914.

The music section of the Woman's Council will present the following well known local artists: Mmes. James Wilson, William R. Hill, J. H. Brice, Geo. R. Brabham and Miss Pearl Barnes, Miss Marion Shelton, Messrs. Frank Fowler Brown, Noble Lee Sissel, Edward Grayson and the Y. M. C. A. quartette in a repertoire of musical compositions by the best Negro composers, among whom is our own Russell Smith, under whose personal direction the program will be given. Some of Mr. Smith's latest compositions will be sung by Mr. Sissel. The Y. M. C. A. quartette and the soloists assemble will render several of the sweetest of the folk songs.

The entertainment promises to be unusually brilliant as well as entertaining.

The Music Section of the Woman's Council, of which Miss Kate Stewart is the chairman, promises to give another recital, presenting papular and well known artists in the near future.

Mrs. Lillian Jones Brown is president of the council.

TEMPERANCE DAY EXERCISES AT SIMPSON CHAPEL.

Last Sunday was world-wide Temperance Day. The Sunday school of Simpson Chapel listened to a splendid program prepared for the occasion.

Mr. Russell Smith, our music composer, rendered very effectively a piano solo, "Heaven is My Home," to the delight of the school. Mrs. S. E. Clark, State Organizer, and Mr. Geo. W. Cable, teacher of Bible Class in the Apostolic church, were the speakers.

Mrs .Clark made a strong appeal for the race to become deeper interested in the work of temperance through the Sunday schools. Mr. Cable's address was full of practical reasons beautifully illustrated, why we should become more concrete and less abstract in our religion, by so doing we will develop into temperate individuals. He laid great stress upon the training of the children to become abstainers from the use of liquor. He said that the saloon will not be eradicated until the women received the right to vote, as they would be the only ones to stand by their convictions in voting out the saloon.

Mrs. P. T. Gorham passed the pledge cards and many children and adults voluntarily signed them.

MR. WM. R. HILL, Supt.
ANDREW SISSLE, Secretary.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The opening of the ninth season monster meetings series on last Sunday was attended by a large number of men from all parts of the city. Dr. E. A. Clark, the speaker, throughout his entire discussion held the audience spellbound on his eloquent and forcible presentation of the III Revelations.

Rev. J. C. Dunbar, who comes to this city from Detroit, Mich., will speak to the men of the monster meeting tomorrow afternoon. Rev. Dunbar, while in Detroit, held the pastorate of one of the leading largest churches in the city, although a wide-awake factor in the religious life of the city he was also a recognized leader in civic and charitable work among his own people. All men are invited to these meetings. Mr. George Miller, a leading violinist of this city, will render a special selection at this meeting.

One of the spectacular events of this season was the reception tendered the Kingan Company employes on last Tuesday evening. Promptly at 8:15 o'clock, escorted by the senior band of the association, more than 300 men who had marched through the downtown streets from the company's plants, were ready to march on to the capture of the association's activities for a big night of their own. On entering the lobby Mr. G. L. Knox, president of the association, mounted a chair and made the address of welcome to the men, then turning over to them the association's departments, which had been set in readiness prior to their invasion.

After an inspection of the building the men gathered in the gymnasium to witness special stunts by the senior and junior classes. What is conceded as the most interesting part of the entire program was the "Tug of War," participated in by two teams representing the "Pork and Beefs" of the company's plant. The Porks winning on a score of best two out of three were presented prizes from the company.

The "November Round Up" membership campaign was launched on Thursday morning with more than 100 captains and workers in the field. **Every man is urged to take advantage of the very low rate offered in this campaign.** The association is offering many splendid attractions through the special reduction, giving the men twelve months' full privileges for only $5.00. This campaign will close November 23.

The first boys' meeting of the season was addressed on last Sunday by Mr. W. E. Grubbs. The meeting was largely attended and proved both interesting and beneficial to the large number of boys present on his subject, "The Heart of a Boy." Mr. G. L. Hayes will address the boy's meeting tomorrow afternoon. Miss Sadie Clayborn will also render special musical numbers at this meeting. The Blues are endeavoring to defeat the Whites in getting the largest out next Sunday.

Mr. DeFrantz, who recently underwent an operation at the city hospital, is rapidly improving, and would enjoy very much a card from those who can not call in person.

Mr. Casey, the educational secretary, is endeavoring to increase all of the classes before December, and will make arrangements to see any prospective student who may desire to enter some one of the classes or trades.

CHARLESTOWN, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. Dr. E. J. McCray, D. D., B. Asst. B., of Louisville, Ky., has accepted a call to be pastor of the Second Baptist church, Charlestown, Ind.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

Local Business Men's League Organized—News in General.

(By Z. L. Breedlove.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

At the meeting of the business men of Champaign held Sunday evening in the Masonic Hall, officers of the local branch of the National Negro Business League of which Dr. Booker T. Washington is president. The officers elected were: C. E. Phillips, president; Abert Ellis, vice-president; Z. L. Breedlove, secretary; S. L. Beatty, auditor; W. Williams, treasurer. The object of the organization is to better business conditions of the colored people.

A. M. E. Church: The morning subject by Rev. H. W. Jameson was "The Objective in Christianity." The thought developed was that we have no permanency here—this is not our rest and our loins must be kept girded. The evening subject was "Stewardship." The speaker said that there was no such thing as absolute ownership and no fee simple titles, and that we are our brother's keeper. Saturday evening, the choral rehearsal for the Christmas cantata.

Salem Baptist church: A temperance program was given by the Sunday school on Sunday under the direction of Mrs. E. T. Dean, superintendent of the temperance department of the school. A solo entitled "'Twas Rum that Spoiled My Boy" was sung by Miss Alice Baxter. A paper on "Doing Good" was read by Miss Virginia Smith and an instrumental solo was given by Miss Helen Johnson. In the morning the pastor preached on "The Way of Life" and at night on "Nebuchadnezzer." Mrs. L. Crushshon, the president, was in charge of the meeting of the B. Y. P. U.

Mrs. Sarah Person died at the Burnham hospital following an operation Oct. 28. Mrs. Person was a member of the C. M. E. church and a member of the Household of Ruth No. 2370 and the Pilgrim Sisters of the Holy Cross. Death has taken from among the people of Champaign a christian woman not a professed christian, but a woman who lived a christian. She was a good worker in the church, always striving to do something to bring some soul to Christ. She is survived by her husband, Mr. George Person, and a sister, Mrs. Christine Nesbitt, who lives in Champaign and three brothers, of Chicago, Willie, Rufus and Robert Barker. The funeral was held Friday, Oct. 30, at the C. M. E. church of which Rev. Whitsitt is pastor. Dr. J. A. Winters, of Chicago, officiated. It was one of the saddest and largest funerals that has been held in Champaign in a good while.

A party was given Thursday evening for a number of the Champaign young men and women by Hubert Rogers and Percy and George Giles. The home was decorated with autumnal colors. Refreshments were served by the host. A splendid time was enjoyed.

The Freeman on sale at 32 North Hickory street.

Miss Mary Gray and Beatrice Gray spent Sunday in Tuscola. Miss Mary Gray sang a solo at the A. M. E. church here of which G. J. Roberts is pastor.

MONTGOMERY, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Archie McKinney, who has been on the sick list for several days, is reported better.

Miss Plassie Planell, of Staunton, Virginia, will open a beauty parlor here in the near future. She is making a rapid progress in selling her preparations.

Mrs. Celest Brown improves slowly.

Mr. G. W. Lee, the Huntington contractor, is in our town finishing up his business after a very successful season.

Mrs. Junior Harris and Miss Lula Steptoe, of Handley, were callers in town Monday.

Miss Mae Jordan, of Standard, was a business caller in town Monday.

Mr. Chester Sanders, of Boomer, was calling on friends here Saturday.

Miss Bessie Tucker, who has been on the sick list, is able to be out again.

Don't forget Capt. Reece, shine parlor, where you will be able to find the Freeman always.

Mr. Edward Hardy, of Gauley Bridge, was a visitor here Saturday.

Revival services began at the First Baptist church, Sunday.

Miss Mabel Saunders, who has been quite ill, is improving slowly. She is at the home of Mrs. George Steptoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Said Price are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Mrs. Marie Hodge was a business visitor to Charleston, last week.

Mrs. Ruth Henderson, who has been in Washington for several months visiting relatives, returned home Friday.

Rev. J. J. Turner, of Kimberly, was a business visitor in town, Saturday.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

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(Freeman Headquarters, 2922 Cochran St., Phone Haskell. By Col. J. G. Griffin.)

The winter social season is pulling up for its share of social functions. The various club members and officials are gathering their clans for an onslaught of all former efforts in entertaining in the metropolis. The style shops are working overtime to supply the rush that is now on. For Thanksgiving feasts and dinner, the leading churches will serve dinners at their various church lawns, to all who may come, and its the invite to one and all, saint and sinner. Messrs. Hearn, Hall, Tyler, Bills, Robinson, Lafinton and others of the Ardieous Club will set a pace for all comers. We have been informed the members of the First Regiment K. of P. military band are to house their friends and guests with a choice menu and music de resistible. Sergeant Richard Curry, of Co. 4 will spread for his friends at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hensley, 708 Horton street, where a dull time never appears. Crystal Palace Free and Accepted Masons No. 167 lodge will receive and entertain with a smoker at their hall. All who are true and tried are welcome. The officials and members are now busying themselves with the program and the menu. These young members who have built up a lodge of progressive members who by work, deeds and action have put the ban on dissentions in the Masonic family in this city, and are looking upward in the interest of the unborn to speak of a monument that they are now working on to assist in building in the near future. Paul Drayton and Metropolitan lodges all are to become jointly interested when their trustees meet so the saying is going their Masonic rounds and the sisters are only waiting to do their whole part and can be relied on when a strictly business proposition is laid before them. Oh you Eastern Stars, wake these slothful brothers up.

The Pastime Gun Club did some shooting on election day and so did a bunch of gunmen from L. Craddocks & Co. However, no game has come our way as yet.

It seems that the following bunch has fell heir to the old favorite spot, 2217 Elm street: Messrs. Hendricks, Reed, Calhoun, Walker, Tom Deel, Williams, Barrett, Hutcherson, Johnson, Jones and several others.

Mrs. George Robinson, 1415 Washington avenue, entertained members of the Carnation Club Tuesday afternoon of last week. The Freeman reporter dropped in and found the members very busy on new plans, etc.

The Golden Leaf Pleasure Seekers of Taborian Lodge No. 193, Lily of the Valley Club met with their president, Mrs. J. H. Hutcherson, 2908 State street, last Monday afternoon, and Mrs. M. E. Burnett, secretary, Miss Eva Bennett, treasurer, and several other members. After the routine of business was finished they were escorted into the dining room and were served to squabs on toast, candied yams and tea. The club shows a healthy financial growth.

Mr. McFletcher, formerly of Dallas, is once more here to reside.

The friends of Mrs. C. C. Wiggins are glad to know that she is on the road to recovery.

Mr. Chas. Leatherman, of Chicago, paid his mother a visit of two days last week and was giving a few of his friends the glad handshake.

Mr. Luther B. McCoy, the producer, has been putting on some shows that gets the velvet of late. He is in the metropolis for the winter and is spending the coin like a Jew.

Mr. Willie Derrie is back home from a trip to the Windy City, of Chicago, and says he had a bully good time, but it takes the coin to stick in Chicago, therefore he is back to stick chili and will be found at the Mecca No. 1.

The Imperial Hotel fire burned quite a number of colored men, women and boys out of a job.

The drop of the temperature has found so many unprepared folks here until they just can't hide from it.

What next? The war talk is nearly talked to death so it's up to the wise ones to produce something new to stir the minds of the populace.

Mrs. A. D. Key, State Grand Worthy Counselor of the Courts of Calantha of Texas, paid the various courts of the city her annual visit last week at New Hope Baptist church, where she lectured to a large audience on the order and its unchecked progress, etc.

Mr. Neal Rowel, treasurer of Lone Star Cadet Co. No. 1, is up after three weeks' illness, to the delight of his comrades and friends.

We see daily in and around Dallas a few too many hot air specials who claim that they were called to preach and can only be found around some washerwoman's home who will let them have a meal or rush the can now and then. These rascals should be known to those who do not know them, as it is with others who must come clean. It is this class of the race that causes hundreds of people to never go to church or have any confidence in the very best of preachers. Here and there a number can be found at all times discussing the Bible in the union depot district.

A good number of Dallasites went to Waco last Sunday and returned, reporting the good time they had.

Mr. Fletcher Kirkwood has let a contract for a modern residence in Queen City in which he and his better half will live and make welcome their friends.

Mr. Robert Moore, the genial railroad porter on the H. & T. C., spent last Sunday here the guest of friends.

Mr. Sid Bolden has had some improvements made to his State street residence.

Mrs. Lonnie Hannah of this city is home from an extended visit of three months in Colorado, and Mr. Hannah is full of smiles wherever you see him.

The night school is open to all ages so it is up to you to attend and work at your usual occupation.

Its time to call off that every Sunday afternoon quarrel over who is right and who is wrong at the corner of Montezuma and North Central avenue between the two church factions before it culminates in harm to some one.

Don't let the united choirs of the various churches of the city fail to come together in one grand musical treat to the people of Dallas and for others in the nearby towns.

Mrs. I. Curtis and Gladys made a flying trip to Forney last Saturday and returned.

Let your friends away know that you are helping to make history for the race by doing something good that the papers will publish your doings and what is better than to read of race achievements these days? Now is the time to quit talking so much war and do something that you will be benefited by and others who need help.

Mr. Joe Crockett, 3700 Bryan street, remains ill, also Mr. Berry Locus, 720 Fairmount street, who has been paralyzed for several months.

The various church conferences are coming in for their share of attention so do your part and be rewarded.

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Miss Elaine Welch,

of Wichita Falls, is with the Welch Furniture Co., of Dallas, Texas, from her third year of studies in Howard University, Washington, D. C., where her health failed while finishing the studies of a physician and surgeon, of which she mastered in order to be a stellar light for the race's advancement among the women of the world that can be counted and her service relied upon to one and all in the field of endeavor to her people. Miss Welch you will find is modest, kind and obliging and a little woman who will make friends, easily winning them to her by her excellent personality and thorough knowledge of humanity and business. Her connection with the Welch Furniture Co. gives her full charge of the clerical department, a place where her ability will become known the country over, as her uncle, Mr. E. W. D. Welch was recently elected to the chief position of the colored retail merchants national organization at the National Negro Business League held at Muskogee, Okla. This will be a most beneficial step up for Miss Welch in the furtherance of her executive and inexhaustible ability to all who will have any dealings with the Welch Furniture Co., of Dallas, Texas, or the National Retail Merchants Association Colored in the U. S. A.

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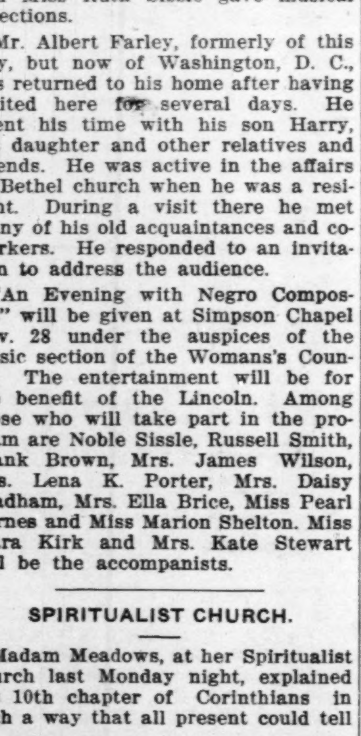

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